



# titanium/vanadium/aluminum dental implant

[curedsoon](#) May 29, 2010

Eleven months ago I had a titanium alloy dental implant along with a sinus lift and bovine bone graft. The surgery was successful and the implant has since integrated with the bone. One to two months after the surgery I started having cramps in the lower extremities that progressed to constant aching in the feet and knees. Five months after the implant I elected to have the swine flu vaccination which resulted in a numb feeling and tingling in the extremities along with diarrhea and dizziness that subsided after a few days. Since then the tingling has combined with the aching in the lower extremities and progressed upward to include the thighs. Exercise makes all of the symptoms worse, as I experience severe aching and muscle twitching after any kind of physical activity. A MRI of the brain and neck revealed increased areas of signal in the brain not consistent with ms. Blood tests suggest autoimmune disfunction (positive ana, antithyroid antibodies, high IgG for parvovirus and EBV and CMV without being conclusive of connective tissue or thyroid disease. A cone beam ct scan revealed an inflammatory process in the sinus above the implant and apical periodontal inflammation on the tooth behind the implant which was also giving me night fevers. I have since had the root canal retreated on the tooth that was being blamed for my mouth discomfort. This has resulted in a 100% improvement in the pain and feverish feeling emanating from THAT tooth, but I still have an strange irritating sensation emanating from the implant that extends to the cheek, nostril, and eye above the implant. I have a feeling the implant is the cause of the mouth trouble and wondering if it is the cause of my neurological symptoms as well. My physical activity has been reduced to a minimum compared to the level of physical activity previous to the surgery. I wonder if the implant does not show the typical symptoms of rejection because of nightly bronchial and nasal steroid inhalations. The implant looks good on scans and xrays. I am not so good. I am living a life of an inactive person because I have no tolerance for exercise. I love to exercise and my dogs need a walk!!! Today I went for a lower back MRI and had a hard time holding still because of feeling crampy and cold.

All of the docs say it is a coincidence that any of my problems started shortly after receiving the implant. I have sent blood in for the Melisa test, but wonder if a reaction will show being I was not able to refrain from using inhalers for five days. The implant has adhered to the bone and looks "perfect". I am ready to get it out and praying I can return to my normal level of activity. Is there anyone out there with some information that could help?

Am I the only one???? I don't think the ADA or the implant manufacturers want to investigate the possibility of this lucrative procedure being a problem for anyone, so it is hard to find any data supporting my suspicion.

Thanks.

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[brokenjaw](#) May 31, 2010

Wow, I feel like Im looking in a mirror. I had upper and lower jaw surgery 3 years ago and my health has never been the same. I was given 4 plates and screws in the mandible and maxilla and got the same story about the bioavailability of titanium, but I question it. I have done some moderate research over the last few months and I found one excellent study about a very small percentage of patients having significant health systems since receiving Ti implants. I wish I would have bookmarked that study but even only spending about 20 minutes researching last night after reading your post I came up with the following... (I'll post excerpts in another response,) but as far as what I experienced, I developed some serious pains in my right foot about 6 or 8 months post op. I never put the two together, but I also noticed my overall recovery was taking quite awhile. Fatigue, light-headedness, weakness and confusion, but the pain in the foot started to spread. It ultimately moved to both feet and now basically my lower limbs are just shot. Just like you, prior to all this I was quite fit and active. I actually was up to working out 6 days a week, and doing heavy cardio on top of weight training. At the moment, I dont think I'll be able to work a year from now, at least a full 50-60 hour work week, if I continue to decline as rapidly as I have been.

I havent moved forward as aggressively as you in my testing because I have to start from square one with another maxilliofacial surgeon and to be honest, I am the type that waits too long to see their doctor and so I keep thinking if I ignore this, it will go away, but I can no longer stand how bad my health has become.

Just out of curiosity, when you did the MELISA, did you have testing for other problematic metals? I know I read somewhere that Ti implants arent pure Ti like people assume. Im not a metallurgist, but I believe the article said it was really an alloy that has properties of other metals that are known to not be as "bioavailable" (such as nickel).

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I found a book online called The Atlas of Craniomaxillofacial Osteosynthesis

Its a medical book for sale and you can only see a couple pages, but from the index there was a whole chapter on plate removal due to immunologic response.

Also....

Allergic reactions to metal implants:

Influence of wear debris

Properties of implant materials and particles. The release of potential allergens like nickel, chromium or cobalt depends on composition, surface modification and chemical or physical corrosion factors. Low pH and low oxygenation of adjacent tissue may influence metallic surface – even leading to titanium release in surrounding tissue [24]. "Hidden" nickel contamination of titanium materials may result from manufacturing processes

#### FROM THE TRAUMA ORTHOPEDIC JOURNAL

Another example is 6 titanium implants introduced into the jaws of a 49 year woman.

All the implants were of IV degree titanium: LIBB implant, cylinder implant and the Brånemark type. It was a part of research project supervised by Ethical Commission. A serious clinical and radiological reaction followed around all the implants, which made the removal of the implant necessary. After which the allergic ailment was healed.

Histological: irritation reaction and setting of the cells of intrusive object and the process of fibrination

#### FROM A SPANISH STUDY

Background: In dentistry, allergic reactions to Ti implants have not been studied, nor considered by professionals. Placing permanent metal dental implants in allergic patients can provoke type IV or I reactions. Several symptoms have been described, from skin rashes and implant failure, to non-specific immune suppression.

Objective: Our objective was to evaluate the presence of titanium allergy by the anamnesis and examination of patients, together with the selective use of cutaneous and epicutaneous testing, in patients treated with or intending to receive dental implants of such material.

Material and methods: Thirty-five subjects out of 1500 implant patients treated and/or examined (2002–2004) were selected for Ti allergy analysis. Sixteen presented allergic symptoms after implant placement or unexplained implant failures [allergy compatible response group (ACRG)], while 19 had a history of other allergies, or were heavily Ti exposed during implant surgeries or had explained implant failures [predisposing factors group (PFG)]. Thirty-five controls were randomly selected (CG) in the Allergy Centre. Cutaneous and epicutaneous tests were carried out.

Results: Nine out of the 1500 patients displayed positive (+) reactions to Ti allergy tests (0.6%): eight in the ACRG (50%), one in the PFG (5.3%)( $P=0.009$ ) and zero in the control group. Five positives were unexplained implant failures (five out of eight).

Conclusions: Ti allergy can be detected in dental implant patients, even though its estimated prevalence is low (0.6%). A significantly higher risk of positive allergic reaction was found in patients showing post-op allergy compatible response (ACRG), in which cases allergy tests could be recommended.

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YOU CAN FIND THE FOLLOWING ON A FEW DIFFERENT SITES. ITS NOT VERY PROFESSIONALLY WRITTEN AND I DONT KNOW WHO THE AUTHOR IS, NOR DO THEY REFERENCE STUDIES, BUT I THINK A LOT OF IT RINGS TRUE.

Titanium is NOT Biologically Inert

Titanium implants release metal ions into your mouth 24 hours a day, and this chronic exposure may trigger inflammation, allergies, and autoimmune disease in susceptible individuals. They are a precursor to disease.

Cases of intolerance to metal implants have been reported over the years, and the removal of this incompatible dental material has resulted in reduced metal sensitivity and long-term health improvement in the majority of patients.

Titanium has the potential to induce hypersensitivity as well as other immunological dysfunctions.

One study investigated 56 patients who developed severe health problems after receiving titanium-based dental implants. These medical problems included muscle, joint, and nerve pain; chronic fatigue syndrome; neurological problems; depression; and skin inflammation.

Removal of the implants resulted in a dramatic improvement in the patients' symptoms, as well as a decrease in many patients' sensitivity to titanium.

FROM A GREAT GERMAN STUDY ABOUT A WOMAN WHO CAME DOWN "with myalgia and arthralgia predominantly in the knees and small joints of the hands and feet, with morning stiffness lasting at least 2 h. AFTER RECEIVING Ti IMPLANT.

CONCLUSION: Clinicians should be aware of the possibility of implant-related immune activation when patients develop symptoms of arthritis after receiving implants. Diagnostic testing by TNF-release assay could be a diagnostic tool in these patients, although comprehensive studies are needed to test the validity of this method of diagnosis in broader populations. The arthritic complaints were alleviated in the case patient following removal of the implant.

SITED PAPER COMMENTS IN A PhD STUDY

The extensive use of metal implants in orthopedic surgery as well as in dentistry calls for a general attention to their biological safety. Titanium (Ti) is used for many types of implants and is generally considered a safe metal to use in implantation. However, it has been shown that particulate debris, also in the nanoscale range, are released from implants. These particulate debris may cause health problems either at the implant site or in distant organs (Friskén et al. 2002).

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 01, 2010

Thanks. I have read some of the info. you refer to. A 2002 study published by the "Journal of Materials Science: Materials in Medicine" reveals that aluminum leaks diffusely into the surrounding bone of dental implants. Apparently none of what we are reading is of any consequence to the conclusions of the safety of



dental implants for the American Dental Association. A lot of the research reveals what can support the multi-million/billion?? dollar medical and pharmaceutical industry, I think.

I was able to get the materials specification from the manufacturer of my dental implant in order to be tested for a reaction to these materials via the Melisa test. I read somewhere in an orthopedic journal that there is a lymphokine test that is related to the lymphocyte transformation test Melisa offers. None of the various healthcare providers have offered this to me. You should talk to your surgeon about getting the materials specification of what is in your body so you can be tested for it. I expect the results of the Melisa test later this week, so I will let you know.

Meanwhile I am going to an oral surgeon this afternoon for a consultation on the removal of this implant. I may be doing this regardless of the Melisa test, as I don't know what else to do. I would like to get back my life!! I feel sorry for you, as the materials in your jaw are much more extensive and a single dental implant.

Oh--I asked a dental hygienist who has practiced for 30 years if she had ever heard of something similar to my situation. A friend of hers also had an implant which had adhered to the bone. This person also started having a myriad of health issues, and so had the implant removed and did start feeling better. This would contradict my periodontists' assertion that osseointegration of implant material is evidence of no problem for your body. I gave her my number and asked for her friend to call me. I am waiting to talk to her.

Talk to you later.

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I am just curious--have you suffered neurological symptoms, or is it just an aching in your muscles and/or joints? Do you have any symptoms in the area of the implants? Do you notice your symptoms are worse after any kind of activity?

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 01, 2010

Thanks for responding. I am so grateful I found your posting because I guess I feel validated by what's going on with me as I read more about what is going on with you. Plus, what I'm researching and also the story of the friend of your hygienist who had similar issues seems to confirm quite a lot.

For one, you are far more advanced and knowledgeable than where I am at with this. It didn't even occur to me to research the plates and screws used on me. The very unfortunate problem behind all this is that my surgeon is really incompetent. He completely oversold his skills and led me to believe he could fix all my problems. He did a horrible job and put the jaws back off center, cantilevered and rotated. Yes, all three axes of the 3D plane are wrong. On top of that, he collapsed the middle vault of my nose, so the right side caved in. I already had that fixed by an amazing surgeon but I know I have to get more follow up work on top of all the damage. After three requests he still won't release my file and many of the important pages from the hospital records out of his file have been copied so lightly, they are unreadable. I don't know if I'll ever get proper information from him.

As far the lymphokine test, is it possible for you to point me in a direction regarding that study? I have a wonderful internist at a major university and she is quite open to information I bring to her, so she may be willing to help me move forward in regard to all this. She is definitely aware of my health changes and she has mulled over the concept that I have a fibromyalgia, but my instinct leads me back to this all being started within months of post op. I remember in my earlier research the study that mentions it takes a few months post op for symptoms to manifest, and that is in line with how mine progressed.

As far as neurological, yes. Outside of poor mental focus and a bit of memory loss, the one thing that bothers me a lot is a pulsing that occurs in the eyes. I know that sounds weird, but it wasn't a typical twitch, but a pulse that occurred intermittently for awhile and moved back and forth between one eye and the other. The first time it happened I became totally alarmed and ultimately went to my ophthalmologist who could find nothing wrong. It happens every once in awhile without warning and I have sort of become used to it, but I have no other explanation.

And yes, my mental focus has dwindled significantly. Anything that takes exerted effort just leaves me scatter brained.

I also want these plates out. I have pain around them still, but I was chalking that up to how off my bite is because of his poor surgery, but now Im more concerned that its direct inflammation and bone damage that is continuing.

I am anxious to know how your visit with the oral surgeon goes. I tend to agree with you, if I am understanding your point on that many people who work in the field are either not aware of, or wont admit to the problems with Ti. I think the bandwagon has been well established that its an inert, bioavailable material, and most dont want to hear any different.

After communicating with you, I know Im going to have start moving forward with tests and looking at options. I think my internist will help me as much as she can, but I have lost faith in the oral surgeon community. Plus, my removal will be major surgery, but I know I have to do something to get my normal life back.

Please keep writing!

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[Titaniumface](#) Feb 21

I had to have my jaw joints replaced and all implants put in due to an accident. Dr. Movahed done my surgery , and left me with big issues. Wondering if he did your surgery.

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So, from the math in the Spanish study, about 1 out 150 or 180 (depending on how you read the numbers) have an immunologic reaction to Ti. And then take into account how many people dont relate their ailment to the implants and get a misdiagnosis from another physician so they dont figure into the real numbers. I could see in real life how that number of occurrences may be actually higher, but the number correctly diagnosed may be lower.

I really like my doctor but she seems to be going in a wrong direction with this and wants to categorize me with fibromyalgia. Thats why Id like to bring her some information and see if she'd help with the lymphokine and MELISA tests.

I think those odds are just high enough so that the oral surgeon community isn't/or doesn't want to be aware of them so that it is an issue.

How did the appointment with the oral surgeon go?

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You can go to [www.melisa.org](http://www.melisa.org) and find out about ordering the test yourself. They will tell you to get a materials specification list of the implants you have. I think I read somewhere that the lymphokine test is a more updated term for lymphocyte--maybe an orthopedic surgeon could help you. I didn't want to spend more time and money going to another surgeon to find this out, but maybe one who does joint replacement on a regular basis would be someone familiar with this kind of testing.

I scheduled an appt. with the oral surgeon to have the implant removed. I am also going to consult with the periodontist who installed the implant about having it removed. I will go with whoever I think can do a better job. My husband went with me to the oral surgeon & made the comment "Oh, I think they think you are a little crazy". At least I have a spouse who knows the effect these symptoms are having on our lives!!

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 03, 2010

So can I ask what sort of neurological issues were you having, if any?

Congrats on having it removed!

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A few months after the implant I started having cramping in the lower extremities that evolved into a constant ache in the feet and knees. I thought perhaps I was developing arthritis and at the time did not make a connection to the implant. A few months later I was silly enough to get the swine flu shot at the local health dept. and had a bad reaction to that. Neurological symptoms include burning pain in the knees as well as aching in the forearms and a numb feeling in the left hand. My right leg is also quite painful and I have no tolerance for exercise. Never in my life have I ever been so inactive for such an extended period of time. I am worried that these symptoms could be transverse myelitis as a symptom of ms, but I also have an itchy annoying feeling in the area of the implant and always feel like I have a low grade infection in the area. Sensitivity to metal can cause neurological symptoms, so this is why I think my symptoms may be related to the implant.

Today I saw my allergist (all I do is go to dr. appts!) and she said that if my body had a problem with the implant

that it would be loosening at the site. I wish this would happen!!! She also said there is no evidence that having an implant of any kind will produce problems with autoimmunity or the symptoms I am having in other parts of the body. ---I guess all those women with health issues due to the breast implants are delusional!! So apparently none of what I am saying or feeling has any basis in reality or science. This is pretty much what most health care practitioners say.

Meanwhile, my health and energy levels continue to decline. I was not able to get a removal date until the 24th. The periodontist wants me to wait until the permanent filling is in the tooth they did a retreat on the root canal on, and for a month after that to see if the feeling in my mouth will go away. He also says that he is 100% sure that none of my symptoms are related to the implant. He just does not get it.

Next week I am going to an ENT to talk about the inflammation of the sinus above the implant and to ask his opinion, so I will let you know how that goes.

--I am supposed to have the results of the melisa test at the end of this week, and tomorrow is Friday. I will let you know about that.

Later....

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 04, 2010

The surgeon who won't release your files?? It is the law that you are entitled to your health records, and you should be able to read what you get. It is also illegal to alter the information on your records.

I did encounter some resistance or maybe it was nervousness when I inquired about the materials used in my implant. I told them that either they could get me the information, or that I would get someone to get it for me. It is material in my body that I have paid for--give me a break!

Sorry if sound wound up--all of this has been trying on my patience!

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 04, 2010

Please feel free to be wound up... Ive been wound up over this for a few years. Yes, this doctor turned out to be about the slimiest person I have ever dealt with. (You know the old saying, someone had to graduate at the bottom of their medical school) I fell for his sales pitch in him telling me everything I wanted to hear. I had the procedure to help my sleep apnea, and now I'm in more pain, I breathe worse because of his sloppy work and collapsing my middle vault, and both upper and lower jaws are crooked. Also, as my dentist verifies, this doctor "made the deepest incisions I've ever seen" for a surgery like mine, and he wont release my full file (I've seen it on the desk, its probably 50-75 pages long. They will only release 9 pages.)

So, I can totally relate to whats going on with your legs and feet. As I said, mine started in one foot, but over time spread to both feet and legs. What I find fascinating was the first paper I ever read claimed the number one complaint of symptoms regarding allergic reaction to dental Ti implants was chronic sinus inflammation. I had

to get my nose basically gutted and rebuilt with rib cartilage because the jaw surgeon was so sloppy and invasive. But even before the rebuild, I developed chronic sinus inflammation. My nose/sinuses felt "swollen" inside and it was hard to breathe, but I wasn't typically congested. It is like this to this day.

Isn't it tremendously aggravating when physicians just flat out say "this definitely isn't related to the implant?" Don't you just want to say, "Hey Doc, let me stick a hunk of metal in your body, and you know, if it bothers you, I'll tell you that you are crazy?" Physicians are so dogmatic to trust a study (you know, the one done by the manufacturer which is being pitched by the good looking medical sales rep with the glossy brochure) over their own patients' real life symptoms, that they are really jeopardizing the patients' well being.

Well, I'm sorry you are going through this because I certainly know what you are up against. I'll keep checking back here if you don't mind keeping me up to date. You are giving me inspiration to want to move forward with my own issues.

Thanks!

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 05, 2010

I am thinking an attorney could get your file for you. It sounds like you really have endured some pain and suffering!

Another symptom I forgot to mention is that I have taken 3+ separate courses of antibiotics for pain in the area of the implant that is accompanied by a fever and malaise. The pain and fever returns after I stop taking the antibiotics. I woke up this morning with pain and a sick, feverish feeling. Fortunately, the periodontist who installed the implant called me in another course of antibiotics and I am going to see him on Monday. Last I heard he wants me to wait another month+ to see if things will "calm down". I am tired of talking--I want this thing out!

If it is any consolation, the periodontist who performed my sinus lift/bone graft/implant did a technically sound job. It is just the material itself that does not agree with me. I suspect you would still be suffering, even if the job was done "right". Do you mind my asking, what led you to have the surgery in the first place?

Melisa did contact me & said they have preliminary results that need to be reviewed by the medical director. Hopefully I will have that info. on Monday.

Are you able to do any physical activity at all? My arms and legs feel heavy and ache, and this gets worse with any kind of activity. It would be a dream if I could get back my former level of physical stamina. I feel so weak & I just hate it! I have always been an active person. I am grateful I can still walk, but a life without activity is foreign--I want to go home!

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In reading back a bit---you had this jaw surgery for sleep apnea??? Did you have recessed jaw that you were trying to move forward for better breathing? Did it help your apnea?

Sleep apnea has been another constant bother in my life. Up until all of this, I thought it was the worst thing ever. I felt like I was being tortured night after night--breathing through a straw that would keep collapsing. After I started using the cpap machine, my nose would swell (they tell me it is vasomotor rhinitis), and so the machine was ineffective for a long time. Nasal rinsing and sprays were ineffective. Finally I started using a timed-release sudafed a few hours before bedtime to keep the nasal passages open. After the sudafed I need to take a sleeping pill, but it is worth it.

I always thought sleep apnea was for the obese and big men who snore. It is embarrassing I have to wear a mask and drag around a machine like an old sick person you see at the airport. Life is weird....., but I shouldn't have complained!

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One more question--do you have burning pain in your knees and feet?

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[jerandi](#) Jun 05, 2010

I do have that burning pain in the knees and feet - and an allergic type reaction. My problem is I can't find a dental surgeon to take out implants.

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Well as far as my files, this is my feeling. He has this woman who works at the front desk who in my opinion, is a snake in the grass. Had I been around the block a few more times I would have not fallen for his sales pitch nor their total unethical billing, not to mention file tampering. I admit, in the beginning I went in there wanting to hear how he could fix all my problems and he basically gave me a response I wanted to hear.

Also, my dentist who "knows" of this guy also said to me (after the fact, unfortunately) "Why did you go to him, he's not really known for doing complex surgeries like this." So, basically, he oversold his skills, albeit he is a certified surgeon.... just not very good at it. I can almost forgive that notion, but what I still get furious over is

like a kid who got caught with his hand in the cookie jar, when I started to tell him about all the things that went wrong, he turned into an evasive, lying snake.

So all in all, it was a nightmare... from billing to surgery to recovery to trying to figure out what went wrong.... just a nightmare. But in my first wave of trying to get second and third opinions, I met a couple of his patients who were disgusted as well with both how he runs his office and the end result. They both were looking for revisions, so 3 for 3 needing a repair job.

But what I meant to say at the top of this letter was Ive asked for my complete file 3x already, twice in writing. Unfortunately I never made copies or had any with me, and both the doctor and his secretary have lied to me sooooo many times, I think I need to go in there, make it evident I have two copies, bring in a witness and have them sign my copy. If I dont get it in 30 days, I file a complaint with the states attorney.

And just to clarify how bad they are... when it came time to pay my bill, (while I was still all swollen and recuperating and not yet aware of how messed up I was) I was having insurance issues, so they actually opened up other patients files in front of me and showed me their paperwork as proof that if I hounded my insurance enough, they will pay. They actually gave me photocopies of other peoples financial statements. I have more pages of strangers files than I do of my own!!!!

Now dont get me wrong, I am not a doctor basher. I tend to not always agree with many Ive seen, but for the most part I love my internist. Ive been seeing her for over 10 years and the guy who my nose was incredibly skilled. This maxfax doctor, though.... how people like that are allowed to practice is beyond me.

Anyway, back to your questions... whew!

Regarding apnea, yes, that was the reason for the surgery. I had a sleep study done because my internist said at some point, its like living with sleep deprivation. The study showed I was 1/2 point away on the scale (cant remember the acronym now) from being a "severe" case. I indeed have a small mandible that when I would lay on my back would sort of unhinge and even close up further, putting just enough weight and pressure on the throat to close it up and cause this apnea. It got so bad that in the middle of the night I would bolt straight up in bed gasping for air. I thought that only happened in the movies, but mine got that bad. Its a mechanical default in my case, not due to bodyweight. At best I'm 6 or 7 pounds over my ideal weight but this started being a problem ages ago when I was 10 or so pounds under my prime weight. Even moving the jaw several millimeters is apparently enough to open the airway to eliminate apnea.

I did talk to a CPAP specialist and she said CPAP helps, but the surgery is the cure. Well, in my case, it should have been, but I trusted a hack, so now everything is worse.

I wont lie to you, its a tough surgery. I do believe my recovery was very hard because the vault collapsed and I was in remarkable pain for so long. You have to be banded shut and eat liquefied food for weeks and weeks. The swelling remains for a long time and you basically need several weeks off from life and lay in bed sitting as upright as possible for 1 month at least, preferably longer. Its not easy.

The sad thing is I joined a couple yahoo groups of patients who are considering it, are about to go through it, or just had it done. I've looked at about 200+ cases where people come out looking great, and only about 5 or 6 look a bit off. I figured those are pretty good odds for such an invasive surgery, but lo and behold, my doc was right in that tiny percentage of not really knowing what he was doing. And I started this process in 2003. It took two years to research, find orthodontists, find a surgeon and lobby my insurance. Then at the end of 2005 I get braces for surgery (which cost 1500 dollars more than regular because you get 4 little extra hooks put on before surgery...) Then the surgery in 2007 and another in 2008 to fix the nose.

Seven years of chasing what I thought was an answer and I would have been better off to get a CPAP, and I am still not sure what is wrong with my health post op and trying to figure out how to fix the aesthetic mess the maxfax made.

And finally.... yes, burning hot knife pain in several areas of the feet and a hot knife a couple inches above right knee... really the bottom of the right quadricep. Also, general achiness in my legs which I have never had before and extreme fatigue that can last 3 to 7 days and then I'll be okay for awhile, even though I feel as if something is wrong. Its chronic, but not in intensity. A bit of a roller coaster but I dread the mornings. Absolutely dread having to take those first steps... its horrible, and when I tell people, they just kind of say, "whatever... everybody ages," but I know something is seriously wrong.

Since my surgery, like you, Im on clarinex-D 24 hour dosage, with lunesta for sleep and celebrex for pain. Pre-surgery I was on nothing and worked out pretty regularly, sometimes 2x a day, weights and cardio split.

Now, I ache and hobble around....

I think instead of going into a long winded story of what I think is going on with me, I'm just going to start telling people I have heavy metal poisoning. When people hear the word poison, they tend to take you more seriously.

Cut and pasted from a heavy metal toxicity website:

As an example of the scope of a heavy metal's toxicity, lead can affect the nervous system, gastrointestinal system, cardiovascular system, blood production, kidneys, and reproductive system.

Symptoms of heavy metal toxicity include mental confusion, pain in muscles and joints, headaches, short-term memory loss, gastrointestinal upsets, food intolerances/allergies, vision problems, chronic fatigue, and others. The symptoms are so vague that it is difficult to diagnose based on symptoms alone.

Thanks for letting me vent.

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 05, 2010

As if sleep apnea isn't bad enough....Your surgery for it is the worst thing that has ever happened to you! I have a strong jawline and have never been obese. My neck is actually quite thin. An oral surgeon I consulted with regarding the removal of my implant tells me people with apnea have an airway much narrower than the normal population. Looking back, I think I have suffered from apnea for years. In college, when I was in the habit of running (jogging, really) an hour a day, I would often wake up with my heart beating fast. In my 30s I would wake up in a sweat alot of the time. I just thought I was dreaming. After I turned 40 sleep became impossible as I would wake up with my heart racing and in a sweat and then not be able to go back to sleep after sleeping maybe 1-2 hrs. I assumed it was insomnia until a dentist insisted I get a sleep study before he would help me with my tmj problems. I doubted the necessity of a study, as I do not fit the "profile". Sure enough, my apnea index was severe!

I am fortunate never to have been advised to have surgery to fix my problems, as they tell me the success rate is quite low for curing apea this way. I am sorry for you that you were mislead.

I am going to get this festering piece of hardware out of my skull, and hopefully sooner rather than later. I cannot survivie this torture and feeling ill much longer. What exactly do you have in your jaw? Plates to extend the mandible? Maybe you will have to go to a progressive teaching center for dentistry.

I am not a doc basher, either. I just desire to stay away from them should I be fortunate enough to recover from

this!!

Oh--I had an eye exam today, and the optometrist said he sees no sign of pathology as would usually be present with ms. He told me he had all of the metal fillings and work removed from his mouth years ago. He told me via some kind of testing that he had high mercury levels from eating lots of tuna. He said chelation therapy is effective in reducing metals in the body, but does not recommend the type one would get with an IV. He recommended something called Cardio Clear EDTA sodium that I think he purchases on line from a company called Health Freedom Nutrition. I am going to try it after I get this piece of crap removed from my body. I don't want to take anything that would thin the blood before surgery.

I will let you know what the Melisa test reveals when I get the results. It will be good for you to see if I get better after I get my implant removed, as your implant work sounds like more of a challenge to remove.

Hang in there and thanks for the feedback.

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[Serbin](#) Jun 06, 2010

I have been following your story along with brokenjaw.

Very interesting since I too am experiencing some leg and joint pain since my dental implant.

Sept. 21, 2009.

I have done research and have found a good surgeon, who has a lot of experience removing these implants.

Although mine has adhered to the bones nicely. I started getting a joint pain in my elbows that I asked the dentist about right away.

It has spread to my shoulders and wrists.

I sent my blood to Melissa and am very anxious to hear what your results are.

I am in contact with a woman in Chicago who had an implant 2 years ago and suffered extreme joint pain and trips to the e.r.

She finally had her impant removed and I am awaiting news on how she is feeling.

Apparently, we are all out there. Many dentists/doctors just don't want to admit that we exist.

My implant was put in perfectly and the dentist did a great job. But because I am not showing any of the typicel signs, they feel I had a successful implant.

Very grateful and I have found a qualified very experienced surgeon who is able to remove this metal, once I research it and know that is the direction I want to go.

I live in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania area and can recommend him, if you every need another opinion. I do not know where you are located.

Please keep me posted, and I will do the same for you.

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 07, 2010

Hi Serbin,

Im near Chicago... is it possible to get the name of the doctor who removed the implants of the woman you are in contact with? I have found the name of the maxfax who seems to have a stellar reputation in Chicago, but I am also prepared that he will, like other docs, say "Its not the implant causing your problems..." so having a back up plan will be good.

Thanks

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[curesoon](#) Jun 07, 2010

Oh, yes. I have a "successful" implant also. Only I feel horrible!

I just sent a note to brokenjaw about another website I found--[www.orthopedicanalysis.com](http://www.orthopedicanalysis.com). There are many references to the validity of the lymphocyte transformation testing for metal sensitivity. If I would have known about it perhaps I would not have had to send my blood to Switzerland.

It is strange after many months of feeling ill and much medical testing that not: my general dentist, the periodontist (who placed the implant), primary care doc, 2 nurse practitioners, 2 neurologists, 2 oral surgeons, allergist, or rheumatologist would tell me about this testing. The allergist did say he was not "impressed" with the reliability of lymphocyte transformation testing. I am not impressed with spending so much time and money and still feeling ill with no answers. I am so incapacitated physically that I have no choice other than to get the implant removed. I also have constant pain in the area of the implant, and a feverish feeling that is relieved by antibiotics.

I live in Northern Nevada and one of the oral surgeons I consulted with did not want to touch the implant as it is fully integrated with the bone. The other, who has practiced for 30+ years said he has removed "a few" osseointegrated implants during his 30 years. When asked the reason for such removals, he stated "psychological reasons". I bet. Tomorrow I will consult with the periodontist who installed the implant and ask if he can do as good a job taking the implant out as putting it in. Can you ask your surgeon how I would go about finding the most experienced person at removing implants on the West Coast?

I may just go with the perio-guy, as he is does the most implant surgery in the area.

Thanks

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 07, 2010



Yes, I have plates to extend the jaw, but they are very small... but still, more hardware than I want. I believe each plate has 2 screws, so its a total of 4 plates and 8 screws.

Hahaha... I shouldnt be laughing, but again, another lie from my doc. He told he had phenomenal success with this surgery, but as I said, I met 2 of his other patients, and they both were having complete revisions with other doctors. I guess in a way he was right... phenomenal success at taking their money and screwing people over.

As far as the removal for me, yes, I do believe its going to be a major ordeal... not as bad as the surgery as there wont be any bone cutting, so I will be able to eat within about a week, but still, pretty intense. I've read of people getting theirs out on the yahoo board, but there are so many postings there, its hard to wade through whats applicable to the information I'm looking for. I should start researching to see if people are having symptomatic problems that we are speaking of. To be honest, the majority of postings are from people about to go through it, so its hard to follow through and I lost interest after my surgery, but maybe I can find some more info there.

I'll post my findings if I should come across any helpful information.

I've been told I should try chelation as well. My sister, who has fibromyalgia, recommended malic acid and magnesium/calcium. I swear it helps control inflammation when I have severe flares, but as far as Im concerned, the more I read, and since chatting with you, and seeing others come on board, the more Im convinced we are suffering from "heavy" metal poisoning. I put the heavy in quotes because I believe Ti is not considered a heavy metal, but to my understanding, these so called Ti implants are not pure Ti like the dental professionals want you to believe.

I'd be incredibly curious to find out who actually manufactures and sells these implants.

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 07, 2010

ok, I'll try to make this quick, as when I tell people this, they tend to look at me both with disbelief and a bit of horror.

I work as an audio tech, and while I kind of fell into the job, I know most of my peers got into it to do music and TV and what not.... but unless you are a top engineer, what pays the bills is corporate work, and of any segment, by far and wide, the deepest pockets are pharmaceuticals.

If you dont know what an "ad board" is, its an advisory board that is set up by pharma companies that are pushing their drugs through the FDA. These meetings are made up of researchers, marketing people and doctors who are testing the drugs before their release. Thats where I come in. By law, these meetings have to be electronically documented. Its big money... no... its HUGE money.... no other industry has the money that pharma does.

So, in the past few years, I've sat, like a fly on the wall, recording hundreds of "ad boards." 90% of the time, after I set the mics and the recorders, I zone out. The medical vernacular is over my head, but I have enough life experience to know when the researchers and the marketers arent "thrilled" with what the doctors are reporting... know what I mean??? So if 20 doctors are reporting that drug XYZ is causing tumors or illness or premature death, you can see how the drug reps start to fidget and get nervous. I've always wondered how much of this information gets "cherry" picked at the end of the day and how much gets buried. I mean, they may have invested a tens of millions of dollars and now they are getting feedback that its a failure... that doesnt sit well with the corporations...

So, I have a friend who is dating a surgeon. I asked him is he ever did an ad board and he said no, he's been asked, but he has no interest. So I would think most doctors and surgeons dont see how this side of the industry works. Instead, they are probably trained in school to read reports and believe, altruistically, about the info they see... but if they ever sat in on an ad board, they may think differently about the accuracy of what drug reps are selling and what the glossy brochure is reporting...

\*\*\*\*\*, right?

Indeed it does.... people forget Im a fly on the wall, and I'm pretty shocked at what comes out some of these peoples mouths... you can start to see who, in the medical field is in it because they want to help people, who is in it for the money, and who is burnt out and should probably hang up their stethoscope. I actually heard one neurosurgeon who worked in a city in a rural area say, "IF some dumb \*\*\*\*\* hillbilly gets kicked in the head by a mule, I dont feel like getting up at 3 in the morning to save his sorry \*\*\*..."

Yes, its true. Word for word, its true... I'll never for get that line.

Thats the type of people who we are trusting with our health.

But if it werent people like my internist or ENT who are amazing and skilled and decent people, I would have lost complete faith in the medical industry after sitting in these meetings.

So, all that being said, I am very curious who is making these implants, if they had to get FDA approval and what their findings were. By law, they have to have documentation of the testing done... what made it into those final reports and what was, lets say, overlooked...?

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 07, 2010

Hi. I did receive the Melisa test results and had a weak positive for Calcium Titanate I and II and Titanium Dioxide I and II. The the periodontist I saw today said that the titanium tested for has nothing to do with the titanium in a dental implant. Basically he thinks the test is bogus. I have an email in to Melisa asking why the 3 titanium substances I was tested for have nothing to do with a dental implant?

He also thinks there is no way any of my physical symptoms are related to the implant, and that the pain and irritation I feel (the tissue looks fine) is referred from somewhere else--another tooth, or my neck, etc.. At this point he might think the pain is from my mind, but nonetheless has agreed to remove the implant if it will make me "happy". So tomorrow @ 8:00a.m. I am going in to have this implant removed. I have the full support of my family and friends, so I am thankful for that.

If there is any lesson to be learned from this (don't we all ask why?), it would be that sometimes we need to do what we know is right, even if the "experts" are saying otherwise. I hope my experience will be helpful to brokenjaw and the others reading these comments.

Oh--I think my implant was manufactured by a 3i in Florida. I do believe that the implants are FDA approved, but then so are the silicone breast implants that have caused trouble for so many women. Money can buy almost anything these days. We really need to look out for ourselves, as the pharmaceutical industry has way too much influence in how medicine is practiced these days.

Hopefully I can make a steady recovery and will have good news to report to you all.:)

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[jerandi](#) Jun 08, 2010

Keep us posted on post-recovery.

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[curesoon](#) Jun 08, 2010

Hi--I thought I wrote in earlier today...maybe it was just to brokenjaw. Well, I did not get the removal done as I waffled on my decision + the doc thinks it is a bad idea. The decision to remove the implant has been postponed for now. He numbed the area and then used some instruments to scrape under the tooth abutment and put some medication (tetracycline) in the area. Right now it does feel better, though it does not explain the other systemic issues that have been ongoing. Also, what he did was something I asked for, as he does not see any sign of irritation or infection in the implant area.

Tomorrow I am going to see the allergist and an ENT to ask their opinions. Another diagnostic evaluation I have had for the dental area and maxillary sinus is a cone-beam CT scan. The cone-beam CT uses a much less radiation than a traditional CT and can really focus on the dental area. My films were evaluated by a maxillofacial radiologist, so this is a person who specializes in the area of interest. In my films, it was noted that there were inflammatory changes and mucosal thickening to the sinus directly above the implant. A traditional CT scan which had also been ordered had a report that the sinuses were "unremarkable." So it seems to me a big difference in the info. obtained.

Did you start with burning knees and feet after you had dental implant work done?

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 10, 2010

Hi CS,

Sorry, I have been offline for the last few days. I just read up on whats been going on with you. Hmmm, how frustrating for you!!!

Just out of curiosity, did you mention that you have been reading postings about other people that, since having dental Ti implants, have been having 'very similar' symptoms? I think it has to be incredibly frustrating for you to have the perio be so closed minded. I know this would probably come off as being contentious, but have you asked him what studies he's citing as to why this isnt related to the implant, or is he simply going by what the manufacturer tells him. I know he's not going to like that because it sounds like a challenge and my guess is that

wont go over well, but I wonder what his response would be. My guess is he wont have anything to show you except something provided by the manufacturer. Maybe Im wrong. Maybe there is a wealth of studies that show Ti to be inert. But again, my point in my last letter, unless you've seen these studies in action, it just becomes numbers on a page.

I mean, bottom line, no doctor wants to feel like they made an error because then it becomes a point of "will this patient want to be litigious?" But by continuous denial, which trust me, I've run into before, your health care provider basically leaves you with no answer and being in pain.

I agree with your comment. You have to be the biggest advocate over your own health, because no doctor can really take that role, even if they are skilled, honest and open-minded. No one knows your body and health better than you. At best, they can help you get to the root of the problem, but I firmly believe you have to be the leader in the process, not them.

Also, if I might ask, what is his reluctance at removing the implant at this point? Are there specific reasons as to the cons outweighing the pros?

Very interesting about the cone beam showing inflammation. When you wrote...

"He also thinks there is no way any of my physical symptoms are related to the implant, and that the pain and irritation I feel (the tissue looks fine) is referred from somewhere else--another tooth, or my neck, etc.."

...were you saying that he believes the inflammation shown in the cone beam is being caused by another tooth? If thats the case, dont you think he's kind of blowing you off and not really addressing the inflammation?

This study, albeit relating more to my surgery than yours, is pretty informational. Though the numbers per study vary, they tend to be significant ~

"Fifteen of 142 patients (10.6%), 9 females and 6 males, required plate removal."

"Manor and Chaush found that 12% of plates inserted were removed."

"Bruzual in a study reported a lower plate removal rate (7%). "

"In the current study, 10.6% of plates inserted were removed."

So, yes, more hardware than what you might have, but pain and sinus problems were most definitely denoted. And those percentages arent anything to scoff at. 10% of problematic results is significant! Even if it were 2%, that means 1 out 50 people are going to have problems.

They make no reference to the logistics of the pain, but just make comment of patients having pain. Plus there is one sentence that simply refers to "contamination." That is certainly open to interpretation.

Anyway... please keep posting. I'm right there with ya...

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 10, 2010

one more thing, I noticed in a couple postings you said you sent me something... Im not sure where you might sending that, because I dont see anything in my inbox on this site.

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 10, 2010

Sorry.... I meant to post this two entries above

[http://www.eplasty.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=346&catid=170:volume-09-eplasty-2009](http://www.eplasty.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=346&catid=170:volume-09-eplasty-2009)

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 16, 2010

Finally, a little support from doc! A well-established ENT with an excellent reputation looked at the conebeam ct scan of the inflamed area in the sinus above the implant. He understands why I feel better when taking antibiotics and also said that "something like this can wreak havoc on your whole system". He has seen this many times before. This same scan looks "normal" to the periodontist, an endodontist, and an oral surgeon.

The bad news is that he referred me to another oral surgeon for another opinion who thinks the scan looks "normal". He referred me to a neurologist because after all, the irritation and pain around the implant that feels better with antibiotics is a neurological issue! As for my other health issues, well, maybe I need to seek psychological help so that I can accept and adjust to my current level of physical capabilities regarding whatever disease I have, and (of course) this is not related to the implant. His "objective" opinion was significantly influenced by his review of my records from the periodontist, where I look like a "trouble maker" in the eyes of someone who wants to do a job, get paid for it, and move on. Admitting that the materials used might cause issue is not possible, as these people are too fearful of litigation. It's nice to know what their priorities are! It is amazing how arrogant and sure of themselves that some of these docs are, but why would any one of them want to admit that their treatment or the materials used could be contributing to health problems.

I am going to see the ENT again and see if he can help. If the implant is removed, will the inflammatory process in the sinus continue?

Will keep you posted....

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 16, 2010

Oh my God!!!!!!!

How absolutely, absolutely frustrating for you. I swear, this has got to be horrible... I know I am going to run into exactly the same thing. I have no idea how you havent completely lost it and started throttling some of these docs. Then you could at least give them reason to classify you as a trouble maker!!!!

I dont know what else to say. Im sitting here staring at the screen a bit speechless. You would think one doc



would try and help, even if he may not agree... he would at least remove it. But yes, I know the arrogance all too well, and of course, the complete denial. They don't want to hear that they are using something harmful, even if this means causing pain to their patients.

Please keep posting.

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[Serbin](#) Jun 17, 2010

I have a surgeon who will remove them. He has removed many of them.  
I live near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. I don't know if you are located near me?

Please stay in touch. I will do all I can to help.

I too am having a problem with joints in hands and elbows, etc.  
Implant put in Sept 21, 2009.

Maryann  
610-279-8499

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[jerandi](#) Jun 17, 2010

I go to the oral surgeon who flip flops on me all the time. At one point he said he'd recommend the dental implants be removed. Then he changed his mind and said clearly there is no scientific study proving that titanium implants can cause the symptoms I have. Then went on to state I should be happy that my cancer didn't come back and that there are people worse off than I. Basically, running into the same issues - take xanax for stress due to mouth sores/tongue sores that we will now call stress related or geographical tongue. Which I know both are not the causes. I am interested in what study he said I may qualify for at either UCLA or USC. He just might shut me down. The skin issues (periodical hives) come and go - redness on knees same. I had no symptoms prior to dental implants. Cancer doc (oncologist) said to take the dental implants out. But she hasn't demanded it. Therefore, insurances both are saying it is the other dental/medical insurance problem. I'm stuck in limbo here. I live in Southern California and believe they are afraid of lawsuits. I am not interested in that - I am interested in being well.

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 17, 2010

Hi Serbin,

You wrote in a post above that you are in contact with a woman from Chicago that had her implants removed. Did you ever hear back from her and how she is feeling? If you still contact her can you find out who her doctor is?

Thanks!

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[curesoon](#) Jun 17, 2010

Jerandi,

You are a cancer survivor, and now you have to survive the dental implant scenario! There must be someone in your area who would have experience with dental implant removal, as UCLA is supposed to have a great dental school. I would be interested to know what kind of studies are going to be taking place regarding dental implants.

How many implants do you have? Even if there are no studies concluding that dental implants cause systemic issues, I did have one oral surgeon agree with me that there is no 100% in medicine. So they can never say that 100% of the time 100% of people are not going to have systemic effects due to dental implants. They can say it is highly unlikely, but not 100%. Ask him if the studies apply to 100% of the people 100% of the time.

I did consult with an oral surgeon early in this process who did admit to me that there still is a "whole lot" that is not known in medicine. He did not personally want to remove my implant, as it is not something he has had much experience with. Another oral surgeon I consulted said he has only removed "a few" osseointegrated implants in his 30 yrs. of practice "for psychological reasons". The last oral surgeon, as I posted above, was a piece of work.

Today I told a salesclerk with a missing tooth to be happy with her smile, as it beats living in implant hell. After we started talking she told me she has a relative who is living with constant infections around her implants. Talking to me cemented in her mind that she is a person with too many sensitivities and allergies to risk getting an implant. How I wish I would have had such insight!

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 18, 2010

I'm beginning to think we may have to result to "medical tourism" to deal with these problems. I don't think the US medical system is taking this as seriously, as the studies that confirm Ti allergy are all from other countries.

From a Spanish Study

"The results here are broadly in agreement with findings from other studies. The prevalence of titanium allergy in the current study ranged between 0.2%-1%, with other studies showing prevalence rates between 1%-3%. The reduced rates may be partly due to the relatively short follow-up, as some hypersensitivity reactions develop over a longer period. Although it is clear that the risk of allergy to titanium is very small, it cannot be disregarded."

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[Serbin](#) Jun 18, 2010

Hello,

I had open heart surgery and am just recovering. I will be talking to her next week and I will find out that information for you.

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[jerandi](#) Jun 18, 2010

I went to oral facial maxio surgeon yesterday, he's definitely recommending UCLA clinic. I went to a different dentist, referred by my boss at work. Nice people (both boss and dentist). The dentist insists it is not a dental issue and would like me to get Vitamin B definiciency tests. Have you all done that in the past? Have the dentists try to run you to doc for blood tests for diet deficiencies. I'll save up for the trip to Pennsylvania ... this is out of my network so to speak. But if the insurance companies realized an allergy is just that - causing more issues than to replace the implant with something else and then bridge the teeth (I had out 10 and 11 in front), they would save so much money. Thank goodness so far, no one can see the mouth/tongue uclers unless I show them.

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 18, 2010

Hi Serbin,

Im so sorry to hear that you are dealing with so many health issues at the moment.

Best of luck with a speedy recovery, my thoughts are with you.

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[jerandi](#) Jun 18, 2010

Wow-what a surgery! Take care and best wishes.

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[Serbin](#) Jun 19, 2010

You all will not believe this one.

Was on my way to the Jersey shore yesterday. Stopped to have a delicious light lunch....salad, maryland crab soup and fresh bread.

Bit down on the crust on bread.....broke off the tooth in the front of my mouth.  
LEFT of my two front teeth.....Under the gum line...Cap, tooth everything off!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The tooth I have been dealing with is the one to the RIGHT of my two front teeth!!

Luckily my dentist came off the golf course met me at 4 pm and I left his office at 7:15 PM

He is terrific....He operated on the gum removing it so we could get to the tooth....then filled a small cavity, then put in a post, then built it up, so that he could put a temporary crown on it and did all this so that my partial would fit properly.

In six weeks (gum surgery will be healed) he wants me to see my periodontist just to make sure the gum will look as good as it can...and then he will put a new crown on.

Ironically, this is exactly what happened to the right one and this procedure lasted for 2 years. Since we are dealing both times with a tooth that has already had a root canal and is therefore, not a strong tooth. Then the tooth cracked under the crown...and that is how I ended up with the implant.

My dentist did chuckle and say at first glance " well I guess we aren't going to have you go and have an implant in this one" I almost laughed out loud, just from my nervousness!!!! :-)

All this and I was trying to keep my heart from beating out of my chest during the procedure.

So for now, I have the partial to handle the first implant problem, since there is no cap on it and a temporary cap is on the other tooth on the left.

Spoke with a girl in California who had no problem with implant going in. But is miserable when the crown was put in. Seems to be pressing on her two side teeth and the gum is horribly irritated, bad blood under the cap coming out, etc.. Many dentists visits for her. Makes me worry about even thinking of putting a cap on my implant even if it remains in my mouth.

Why can't we all be sharks and grow new teeth back in!!!!

Everyone keep your spirits up. Somehow we will put all the pieces of this titanium implant puzzle together. We have to make it better for those that come after us.  
But for now, we all would like some answers.

Remember, I do have a good surgeon here in Philadelphia, that does have a lot of experience removing them.

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[Serbin](#) Jun 19, 2010

Hi,  
Please be very careful who you have remove your implant.

My periodonist, who did a great job putting it in. Felt he could make things worse by trying to remove it. He is the one that sent me to University of Pennsylvania, chief of staff dental surgery to research this further. That is when I was sent to the surgeon on his staff that has a lot of experience with this.

They could end up leaving slivers of the metal in your jaw.

I don't have the name of the surgeon it is downstairs but I can send it to you later if you would like.

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 19, 2010

Thank you for your concern. It would be good to have the name of the surgeon who has experience with removing the implants, so please post when you have it.

You are certainly due for a turn on your luck with your dental issues. I guess you will be praying every night that you can hang on to what you have, so as not to risk another implant. It is hard to believe there isn't more knowledge and information out there for people who have trouble. There must be more than just us.

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 19, 2010

Have your tried Lysine for your mouth sores? I used to get horrible painful sores on my tongue, sometimes with fever. Now I take Lysine several times a day if I feel one coming on, and I am no longer bothered with this problem.

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 19, 2010

I just read my post--please don't think I am minimizing your problem, as if you are just dealing with some little mouth sores! The lysine may help, though.



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[curedsoon](#) Jun 19, 2010

Have any of you been told to get tested for trigeminal neuralgia or ms for your other symptoms?

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[jerandi](#) Jun 20, 2010

Yes, I'm taking lysine 2x a day and staying away from SLS products and products containing titanium. I am told if I remove what is causing the "allergy," I will no longer have symptoms. I just cannot convince anyone to remove implants or crowns because there is no one particular tooth looking irate...more of a burning mouth/gum/tongue/throat issue. Taking Zyrtec for allergy-related symptoms.

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 20, 2010

to curedsoon and all,

I know you are all taking about dental implants, and I am dealing with post-op plates, but I am assuming they are all Ti. Well, I found more information from my procedure regarding removal....

From a University of California, San Francisco study:

Only a small number of patients (10.6%) develop complications from plates or screws that required their removal. In each case, prompt removal constituted adequate management.

They refer to only a small number (10.6%). In my opinion, thats not small. 1 out of 10 people having to go through another surgery is not small. Those odds are pretty bad actually, since its very, very invasive.

Anyway, just more proof people arent tolerating the Ti.

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 20, 2010

To all,

This might be a significant find!

Have any of you heard of IAOMT?? I found this site and though there are a lot of links attached, I have yet to find any that deal specifically with Ti, as they seem more specific to mercury, though they might be a good resource to find a sympathetic oral surgeon who deals with Ti implants.

Their mission statement looks reputable-

The International Academy of Oral Medicine and Toxicology (IAOMT) is an organization for that group of dentists, physicians, and allied researchers who consider biocompatibility to be their first concern, and who demand scientific evidence as their key criterion. Members of this group have, since 1984, examined, chronicled and supported research into the distinctions that can make dental practice more biologically acceptable.

On the right side of the home page is a menu for "Find a Doctor". Maybe this might be a good starting point to contact a dentist who may refer an oral surgeon who is more open minded to the idea that Ti is causing immunologic reactions.

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 20, 2010

Hi. So has it been concluded that you are suffering from an allergy? You just need to find out what is causing the allergy?

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 21, 2010

Regarding the S.F. study--another issue is the definition of "complications." I would bet this means an obvious and localized reaction or infection. It is hard to find any recognition of systemic bodily reactions, like the ones you and I are having.

I would be interested in knowing if metal implants trigger autoimmune disease in susceptible individuals. Where are the studies on this? Spain? It doesn't seem to be on the radar for mainstream medicine in the U.S..

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[jerandi](#) Jun 22, 2010

The biopsy of my mouth is where it was discovered that I had an allergy to whatever it was I put in my mouth and once I take it out it would be cleared up. However, the allergist said I was too hypersensitive at the moment for her to take any tests. They would come out with false positives. For some reason the oral surgeon flip flops and won't take anything out - i.e., crowns or dental implants. He now wants to refer me to that UCLA study. I'm

frustrated as the dentists refer me back to medical and the medical doctors say it is dental. No one wants to deal. They all agree there is something very wrong inside my mouth and consider it out of their field. I'm in limbo. Blood tests for vitamin deficiencies today. Mostly B, folic acid and zinc. The dentist recommended I have that done. Then we could go from there. I'm a pawn. I just re-read my history. Before the dental implants = no symptoms. After = all symptoms. No study = no help. They will chalk it up to autoimmune (though oral surgeon said that's not true) and keep me comfortable - pain killers and xanax. I am not taking them. The implant doctor when put in the implants was fine up and until the crown fell out - then he pushed with all his 185 plus weight down on the crowns - yes, it hurt a lot - when he reglued the crown back on....what if it was just that? If I have the implants out - I also have a cleft palate - they say the palate could collapse (it is in writing) if they don't know what I'm allergic to - they don't know what to replace the space with. They don't want to take them out.

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 22, 2010

Hi all. One thing is for certain--we are all in a quandary over what to do!

Today I went back to the ENT who believes that the implant has something to do with many of my physical symptoms. I am so thankful for him, as at least he is interested in helping to solve the puzzle and help me to regain my health.

He has referred me to an infectious disease specialist, as he believes that there may be an infectious process going that will not resolve by simply removing the implant. I have been telling doctors and dentists for months that antibiotics resolve many of the symptoms, but to no avail. It is so fantastic to have a smart doc able to help! I will keep you all posted.

I still would like the name of an oral surgeon who has removed many of these osseointegrated implants, so post the name and # if any of you have one.

Thanks.

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 22, 2010

Oh you really are in a pickle, as it sounds like the hardware is holding up a good portion of your mouth. The most I got from my allergist was that it was a "foreign body" reaction, but he did not want to go out on a limb and say it should be removed. The ENT mentioned above likened the foreign body reaction to an infected sliver in your finger: "Yes, the antibiotics with help you feel better, but ultimately you need to remove the sliver." I wonder if there is an allergist/immunologist somewhere who could help your system adapt to the implant material. I can live without a tooth, but it sounds like you would be jeopardizing the stability of your jaw. They can't expect you to go on like this!!

Keep us posted.

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[jerandi](#) Jun 23, 2010

Do you all know what the below man made stuff is? The dentist who put the implants in is willing to remove them. Below is the note.

We can remove your implants and crowns, and do a bone graft after the implants are removed as well as the bridge. The bone graft material we can use for you is called Beta tri calcium phosphate. It is not human donor bone, but is man made.

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[Serbin](#) Jun 24, 2010

My surgeon who has experience in taking these out. Felt it would be best not to do any grafting for me, although my periodontist was suggesting it at first, since I am sensitive to the titanium and he is worried that I may show sensitivity to something else and doesn't want to complicate matters for me.

If it is necessary for the stability of your jaw, etc. then it's a different situation.

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[jerandi](#) Jun 24, 2010

Have any of you known anyone who has taken out the titanium and known that their symptoms went away? That's the big "what if" I can't answer personally yet. But that is like "what if" I win the lottery. All I know is that I had no symptoms until those went in. I'm going to see if we can not add anything. I think Serbin is right - if I can get away from adding anything - I should let the site heal and body. I'll keep you posted.

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 24, 2010

--So I was in my vetrinarians' office getting the dogs their vaccinations and telling him my woes. He said "you don't want to put ANYTHING in your body unless you absolutely have to." Thus, he has a bridge vs. implant in his mouth. How I wish I would have talked to him before I had this implant. HE (who graduated 2nd in his vet class) DOES NOT WANT ANYTHING IN HIS BODY.

Jerandi--At the least, your doc should discuss the options for bone grafting and explain the risks and benefits of each. I have heard that the autogenous graft, which is bone taken from your own body, has the least chance of rejection or foreign body reaction, but then you have a second incision or procedure. I am not sure a dentist or

oral surgeon can do it that kind of procedure. I think you should research all of your options.

A co-worker of my husband (who has many allergies & sensitivities) developed a blood condition that resulted in the loss of his spleen after having a cadaver bone graft procedure on his hip. He, with a masters' degree in a scientific field, is convinced having the operation triggered his condition, but the docs say no. Of course.

Are you consulting with an oral surgeon who has experience in taking out implants? I would like to see a surgeon who takes out implants on a regular basis. The oral surgeon I consulted who has 30yrs. experience said he has only taken out "a few" osseointegrated implants over the years.

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 24, 2010

Hi. Would you be able to post the name & # of the doc who has experience removing osseointegrated implants?

Thanks!

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 25, 2010

Hi, All:

There is some interesting info. on dental implants at [www.metronycdentist.com](http://www.metronycdentist.com), click on Facts about the dental implant industry by Dr. Gulizio. I thought the FDA approval of implants was required, but according to this website it is not so.

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[brokenjaw](#) Jun 25, 2010

very interesting find, curedsoon.

whats even more disturbing than the lack of FDA approval is that a "manufacturer" gives the doctor "certification" after only two days of training on a plastic jaw.

Wow...

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[jerandi](#) Jun 25, 2010

Wow. :-( Scary to read about these certifications. I wonder why some days my mouth is burning on fire more so than other days.

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[jerandi](#) Jun 25, 2010

And the dentist never called me back to let me know about the insurance, the procedure (removal), etc. I feel like a revolving door ... they get my hopes up and then ignore.

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 26, 2010

Someone I know traveled to Dr. Bedrossian ([www.sfimplants.com](http://www.sfimplants.com)) because she needed dental implants that extend into her cheek bones due to extensive bone loss. Evidently this doc is such an expert that people from the East Coast travel to San Fransisco for this type of implant from him. She was referred to him from a dentist in Nevada.

--I hope she can get along better with her metal than we have!

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 27, 2010

I have read that anything having to do with the immune system will vary day by day. My allergies are worse some days, and better others.

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 29, 2010

Think good thoughts. I am going to a neuro tomorrow for the pain around the implant and other aches & pains. Maybe he will have a clue & cure. Thanks, & hope you all are feeling okay today. :)

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[curedsoon](#) Jun 29, 2010

oops--previous comment was meant to you, also.

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[jerandi](#) Jun 30, 2010

Let us know what happened. I'm hoping you get an interested doctor who wants to get to the bottom of it.

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[curedsoon](#) Jul 01, 2010

Well another visit without lots of answers, but he did not think I had trigeminal neuralgia or ticdouloureux. I already knew this-it is a dull almost constant burn/ache emanating from the implant, folks. So now he can send a note to the oral surgeon telling him so. He suggested the Mayo Clinic in Arizona. I don't want to travel for more of the same.

What I would like to do is find people who have had the same kinds of issues after receiving titanium implants, and then had the issues resolved after the metal is removed. If you look online you can find (I found one posted from 1998 on another med site) other people having similar issues as us. It is frustrating because I have not been able to find the follow-up on what happens to these people. Do they vent about their ailments and then just get tired and go into a hole and die??? Do they get the hardware removed and then slowly get better and by the time they completely feel better forget about posting? Do they get hardware removed and stay the same? We need to find people who have had the metal removed and learn what happened.

Any news?

A dental hygienist told me she knew someone who had an osseointegrated implant removed and then had her health improve. I gave her my number and asked if she would pass it on and have her friend call me, but so far no call. I would like to know.

Where are these people?

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[jerandi](#) Jul 01, 2010

My brother had his dental implant removed. He said he thinks his doctor's name was Dr. Bass in the Palm Desert, CA area. The problem I have with my brother is finding the right doctor's name. His memory's not too



good. The short version of the long story is his face got so swollen, they had removed his implant in the hospital I believe because he needed a bone graft and I think they took that from the hip. Anyways, he is perfectly better. He lives in NC now and trying to get info out of him is hard. He had mouth sores, incredible skin itching from what I remember, along with the swollen face and tonsilliths. His face was awful though. I remember it was really infected. If I had the name of that doctor, I'd be on my way to recovery. My brother and I aren't that close. I'll call my other brother to see if he can get more info on the dentist's proper name. He is on Facebook ... how do I send a secure message to you with his name on Facebook - then he would be happy to let you know everything.

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[brokenjaw](#) Jul 03, 2010

Im still here, reading posts, and unfortunately in a lot of pain.

I've had another personal issue eating up a lot of my time, but now that is resolved, Im going to focus on these implants, so starting next week I'll begin to make appointments with MaxFax surgeons.

I am hoping they are a bit more receptive because it appears to me that simple protrusion and site pain is a justified cause for removal, but I dont know what sort of reception I'll receive. The protrusion is a valid complaint. You can run your hand along my jawline and feel all the metal work, so even just resting my jaw in my hand or sleeping with pressure along my face can cause pain. If this moves forward, its a hell of a surgery, but I'm willing to take that step if there is a chance it relieves the overall symptomology I'm dealing with.

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[curedsoon](#) Jul 04, 2010

I feel for you, as you have an extensive amt. of hardware. Since the implant the tooth adjacent to it required a retreat on a root canal done 25 yes ago.. Now that tooth hurts and is loose. On the upside this is fantastic because it gives me something to think about besides the implant pain. One thing did get better for me is the other bodily symptoms after I stopped taking the antibiotic used for sinus drainage (on implant side) and skin and bladder issues. When I looked at side effects of long term use of this antibiotic, it did have joint and muscle pain, as well as peripheral neuropathy on the list. Who knew? Nonetheless, the nasty pain around the implant continues and probably contibuted to the problems in the adjacent tooth. I have decided that unless the symptoms magically disappear once the adjacent tooth is healed, that the implant needs to come out. I cannot ignore what my body is telling me.

Go to [www.\\*\\*\\*\\*\\*.com](http://www.*****.com) and search for adverse reactions to a titanium marker clips after a breast biopsy. These poor people are dealing with breast cancer issues and then have constant pain and irritation caused by a titanium marker clip. There is a long thread of people who are having symptoms around the ti clip who experience dismissal from their physicians, because "nobody has a problem with ti." Right.

Next year at this time I hope to be spend the morning at the gym and the rest of the day doing something fun! I'll focus on that.

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[AnnnaH](#) 1 hr

Cured soon

are you still here ? I have info re Ti “ allergies “ to Dental implants

please contact me? in 2020

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[curedsoon](#) Jul 04, 2010

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[curedsoon](#) Jul 04, 2010

Is the word health or central a problem with this site?

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[brokenjaw](#) Jul 05, 2010

no, this site has a problem posting links...

Double U's (dot)\*\*\*\*\* (dot)com/breast-cancer/c/question/256778/90815

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[brokenjaw](#) Jul 05, 2010

haha... yes, I guess they do have a problem with the words health & central spelled next to each other.

But using the above info, thats the address if others are interested.

Isnt it sad that the stock response is "There is no proof that Ti causes problems."

Wouldnt it be just so much fun to sit a doctor down and say.... "If, for one minute, you could put your arrogance aside, could you tell me if you have ever been on an advisory board? No? Well, you do realize that these

manufacturers very often cherry pick evidence to push their drug or medical device through the FDA, or give you doctors the false sense of security that there are no problems, right? You do know that you occasionally are giving your patients something that is really toxic in nature and the information that a few upstanding and honest ad board doctors reported just happened to be buried or minimalized, right? Are you are aware that your profession is rapidly becoming nothing more than you being a highly paid prescription pad, and like a mindless robot, you spew back statistics that were told to you by a good looking drug rep who was hired less for their knowledge and more for how they look in a business suit? You get that, right? And when we trust you to do the right thing, like a good little puppet, you simply recite back what the drug company told you, because god knows how important that yearly salary is, regardless of you unintentionally inflicting damage on your patient... yet, not wanting to acknowledge it.... you understand all that, right?"

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[curedsoon](#) Jul 06, 2010

Very well articulated. It should be the duty of honest and caring docs to use their intelligence to help their clients discover and recover. At least I found one doc who is telling me the symptoms are in fact due an inflammatory response or foreign body reaction caused by the implant. Thank God for him!

Have you ever thought--what if my implants aren't the pure titanium or titanium alloy they are purported to be? I did notice the company that manufactures my implant has operations worldwide. I don't know, does that mean we could have medical devices manufactured in Mexico or China? Comforting thought.

If you look at dental and night and mare and dot and net (without the and) you can read the scary story of a lady in Texas. What do you think of her idea of decorating her vehicle with information on the offending practitioners? I don't know if I would want to be reminded every day, but I don't blame her!

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[curedsoon](#) Jul 06, 2010

Thanks for the info.. If you look up desert and oral and surgery \*\*\*\*\* without and between the words you can find the Dr. Bass that may have operated on your brother. It looks like he also performs surgery for sleep apnea.

If you are going to go to the UCLA clinic it would not be too far for you, would it?

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[curedsoon](#) Jul 06, 2010

Did you ever hear from 'itchyimplants" under the teeth implants-3 replies?

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[jerandi](#) Jul 07, 2010

I have my letter from my dental insurance with my claim number. I see the dentist who put the implants in requested to the insurance to remove them. D6100, by report. Bone replacement graft - 1st site in quad per tooth, D4263. D2740 and D6245, porcelain crown and pontic - porcelain crown/ceramic. The insurance wants me to fill in the questions re is this the initial placement of appliance ... (well it is clear it is the removal of appliance) ... and if no describe the original appliance, include multiple units (can they not read?), and reason for replacement. Then they will consider. Has anyone passed this phase or know of recommendations on how to? Shall I send every doctor / dental report? What's the easiest, efficient way of having them authorize removal of the big giant elephant in my body? So close to being free - yet so far.

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[jerandi](#) Jul 07, 2010

I know you were talking to Serbin about itchy implants and that made total sense to me. When my crown fell off ... the doctor who put the implants/crowns on, re-cemented the crown and pushed all his weight on the tooth...which makes sense why I could have these issues. His assistant helped with the paperwork for insurance...otherwise, we will be forced to take a loan and take them out. She said I should know within two weeks.

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[jerandi](#) Jul 08, 2010

The oral surgeon said he'd refer me to the UCLA study. Told me to email his assistant and I have not heard one word back. It has been three to four weeks. Time passes and I re-read all the posts. I'm a little concerned about the "slivers" mentioned above regarding removal of the implants and I will ask about that as well as not having the bone grafting...to see what else from me he could use or if it is beyond his scope. It appears that not having anything inside my body (quoting someone above)...is the best course of treatment. I'll be quiet now. I have to wait for the referral process. But it sure would be nice to know how you all are doing.

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[curedsoon](#) Jul 13, 2010

Hello all, I have had a revelation of sorts in thinking that the implant started to itch and bother me after the surgery to expose the implant and attach the healing abutment and prosthetic tooth. I remember telling the dentist that the healing abutment had felt "itchy" before the prosthetic tooth was attached. He did not see any reason for my feeling such a way and was anxious to install the tooth. The itch/burn and symptoms have

continued to get worse. I am thinking there is an infective component involved in all of this since the problems started when there was a place for bacteria to colonize in the space between the abutment or tooth and my jaw. Maybe this info. will help someone to help me. I am going to get another opinion from another dentist and or perio in hopes that someone can help me. I have learned from past experience that there is a doctor somewhere who will help, it is just a matter of finding him or her.

How are you all?

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[brokenjaw](#) Jul 15, 2010

Ive actually been feeling so bad lately that even if I find a doctor to remove these, am I up for another surgery?

Just out of curiosity of those still reading, what was the evolution of your physical problems?

I had surgery in early 07. I cant remember exactly when, but sometime later I started having debilitating foot pain along the blade of the right foot. Eventually it spread through the entire right foot and eventually started to have the same symptoms in the left. As months went by, my legs also started to generally "ache."

Over the last two years, I've had continuous leg and foot pain, but overall feelings of tendinitis or arthritis in the entire body, along with a depressed immune system, waves of excessive fatigue and mental fog, cloudy thinking and confusion. That is not consistent, but comes and goes, but is rather frightening.

The actual pain along the jaw line is also something that comes and goes but with much more regularity than the other pains. Yes, I have pain at the site of the plates and screws, even three years later. It is not uncommon for the above body symptoms to flare up when the pain in the jaw flares up as well. I also get head and neck aches with these flares, along with a pulsing in the eyes. Basically, I have waves of widespread inflammation that has been common in the jaw since post op, but then developed in the lower limbs that eventually became completely systemic.

All of the above came about after my Ti implants. It wasnt immediate, so it took a long time for me to make the connection. But the site that makes commentary on plate removal also indicates that many patients took +6 months to develop symptoms.

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[jerandi](#) Jul 17, 2010

Did you ever take the drug Lequin? That drug is used for antibiotics and attacks the feet, tendons, etc.

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[curedsoon](#) Jul 17, 2010

Jerandi is right to review the drugs you are taking or have taken because recently I discovered that long term use of doxycycline can cause some of the symptoms I have been having. I have been taking it intermittently for years because of skin and bladder issues and then most recently for an infected feeling around the implant and sinus trouble above the implant. The drug had never bothered me before the implant, but maybe the "foreign body" reaction mentioned by two of the docs I have seen fits in here. Anyway, I just noticed one day that my symptoms seemed to worsen after taking the doxycycline, and I have improved since I stopped taking it. You may want to look at everything you are using and look up the side effects. It could be that the drugs interact differently when your system is being challenged by implant material.

Weird I had to figure this myself with all of the money I have spent on professionals.

Our symptoms are very similar. Maybe this information will help you.

If there is an infective component, which I have suspected in myself, the pain around the implant will return in a week or so. We will see.

I hope you feel better!

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[curedsoon](#) Jul 20, 2010

Five days off the antibiotics and the familiar itch/burn around the implant is back. I am going to go to another periodontist for a consult and see if there are any options other than removing the implant.

Any news?

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[jerandi](#) Jul 22, 2010

I'm going in for impressions Monday. Beginning of removal process. Today has been a painful day...well - most days are aren't they .... but today more so than yesterday...yesterday more so than the day before. Anyways, point being - do you all think it could be something to do with whatever is in the gum tissue????? If they can't "cure" it with antibiotics = though some relief, but no cure - what is it that gets the gums so hot and painful??? The allergy to ti? The reason for my question is - what if when they are out (implants) - whatever it is that bothers the gums is still in the tissue? Does that make sense to you all? Regardless, I'm still going through with it. But this process is extremely costly - whether it is having opinions by other doctors/dentists and their "consult fee" @ \$325 a pop or one even quoted \$875 just to look at paperwork. The removal fees are more than the implant fees. Remember Curedsoon - if it is a true allergy, then there is just no other solution. For example, if you are allergic to cats - you can take allergy pills, but unless you remove the cat - you'll still have symptoms. Brokenjaw - I totally understand your fear ... I feel quite the same but never had symptoms of anything until after the dental implants. I go over my history and realize the day the symptoms appeared

coincide with the implants ... that gives me hope that the removal will eliminate the problems. That and my oncologist said to remove them two years ago! She was very unhappy about the installation of implants and told me a handful of her patients had immune problems that went away once they removed the implants....so I'm praying I am one of those.

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[brokenjaw](#) Jul 23, 2010

Thanks for the feedback and comments. That information on levaquin is a bit alarming, the more you research into it.

Jerandi, Good luck with starting the process of removal. Our thoughts are with you...

I have an appointment two weeks from now with a MaxFax surgeon who has a very good reputation. My internist, who is great, very smart, has a true caring for her patients and open minded, and another doctor Ive seen recently, didnt have any specific information that supported the idea that Ti can cause allergic reactions, but they were also both open to the idea that the possibility exists, though unfortunately, this is not their field, so we'll see what kind of response I get with the surgeon.

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[jerandi](#) Aug 28, 2010

All that happened so far is the removal of the two caps over the implants. I have asked the implant dentist to take them out. He said he would - I wanted to eliminate other dental crowns as a possibility. The dentist filed down another crown that was bothering me. I still have same issues...and now a blood blister looking thing on the side of my gums. I am to meet UCLA dentists in October. So implant removal is on hold until after that appointment unless something happens before.

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[curedsoon](#) Aug 29, 2010

Thanks for posting. Are the UCLA Dentists part of a clinic, or do they have private practice(s) also?

I have had another cone beam CT scan of the implant area and am waiting for the report by an oral maxillofacial radiologist before taking any action.

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[jerandi](#) Sep 05, 2010

I think they are part of a research and clinic and also have a private practice. This was referred by my doctors - so I don't have to pay the \$375 just to see me fee. I think this is the right direction. Let me know how the cone beam CT went.

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[Bertin76](#) Sep 22, 2010

I'm in the same boat. I had bone grafts and dental implants about 8 months after the grafts. Some time later I developed muscle pain, muscle loss and general weight loss and weakness, Also sore throat, stomach cramps and dizzy feeling.

The Dentists who is chair of a major local hospital had told me that the titanium implants would not give me any problems. This was a lie, a lie, a lie.

Titanium implants, whether dental or otherwise are toxic. A reaserch by Dr. Joseph Mercola (Mercola.com) says that these implants must be avoided because there are safer ones on the market like those made out of metal free zirconia.

I did not connect all these problems to the implants until recently and I asked the Doctors to have a surgeon remove them.

I threatened him/them .with a possible complaint with the State Office of Profesional Licensing and to take other actions. Finally, he will have them removed after taking a metal allergy test. I will take within days a Melisa test, which will cost me only \$75, and hopefully it will show what I've always though: Toxicity/allergy to the titanium, vanadium, nickel etc. etc. and he will remove the 5 implants the sooner the better,

This is serious matter because many people have developed tumors due to the toxicity so time is of the essence.. These dentists who are peddling dental implants should loose their license and end up in jail.

I wish all of you luck.

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[Serbin](#) Sep 23, 2010

Hello Everyone,

After reading all your posts, after breakfast I am going to get in touch with the surgeon to remove my dental implant. I met with him once and he is set to remove my front tooth implant whenever I agree to a date. It has been one year since my implant was put in.

Although it has adhered to the bone nicely and I have had no complications or irritation around the tooth, I have been experiencing pain in my elbows which started within one week, since then pain has started in each of my joints, shoulders, knees, feet, toes, fingers, etc. My shoulder is so bad right now I cannot move it certain ways without almost screaming in pain.

I also have a ringing in my ears which started the first week after implant. My ear specialist isn't sure what causes it. He says sometimes these things just come with advancing years. Duhhhhhhhh So he is waiting to hear if there is improvement after removal.

I am going to set up the removal date, but also want to have one more consult with the surgeon. My regular dentist wants to make a mold and be ready with a partial plate for me since it is a front tooth and the surgeon said we may lose the tooth next to the implant because they are so extremely close. We are hoping not to but it is a possibility.

As soon as these symptoms started I told my implant dentist and said "can this be removed at any time" he said "yes, no problem". Well that is not true. After 6 or more weeks it gets more and more difficult to remove. My implant dentist was very good, but admits that I am definitely a learning tool now for him and lots of other dentists.

I have had a problem with medicines most of my life. Come to find out the common denominator in all the meds is titanium dioxide which can be causing the bronchial spasms when I take any type of medicine that contains the titanium dioxide. The docs put this information together.....two weeks after my dental implant was put in!!!! Although they say this is two different types of titanium and it is inert...I think they are finding out that sometimes there is that one in a million patient!!!!!!

So now they are all looking to me to see what results I get when this is removed. I hate to be the guinea pig, but hope that I can help lots of others with this information.

I live in the Blue Bell area 30 minutes from Philadelphia. My surgeon is associated with the University of Pennsylvania.

After I make the phone calls I will type back and keep you posted.

It is helpful to have your information. Thank you so much for keeping us updated.

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[Serbin](#) Sep 23, 2010

OKay I am set to see the surgeon again, on October 5 at 11:15

Then the surgery will be set within the next two weeks following that appointment. I want to meet with him first, just to review the surgery and how they intend to take it out, the anesthesia...can they knock me out :- ) and to educate myself in what "could" go wrong, but let's think optimistic. Sure hope they can keep the front tooth that is so close to the implant.

The surgeon is:

Dr. Lee R. Carrasco, DDS, MD  
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery

Penn Medicine  
Suite 1A  
250 King of Prussia Road  
Radnor, PA19087

610-902-2100

He has seen this, though extremely rare, and has removed implants like this before.

I had gone to 4 other local surgeons, who had no experience in removing them and felt that it could not be the implant since it adhered so nicely to the bone.....

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[Bertin76](#) Sep 23, 2010

I also have a ringing in my ears which started the first week after implant. My ear specialist isn't sure what causes it. He says sometimes these things just come with advancing years. Duhhhhhhh So he is waiting to hear if there is improvement after removal.

Don't believe anything about the "advancing years". You never had these problems until after you got the implants. Dentists and other Doctors will never admit to any errors or dangers. They want to make money and the fact that you may end up miserable with all the side effects and possible a stroke or a tumor of the bone marrow etc. etc, is according to them, something that it would have happened anyway. Bull!

But the dentists who lied to fool me into having this poison into my mouth will not get off easily.

Now, I just play their game because I want them to remove these implants then it's my turn to act. I will report them to the Office of Professional Licensing, the American Dental Association and to various local newspapers. In addition I'm going to set up a website exclusively about this and other medical scams so other people don't fall prey of these skunks.

What I'm more concerned about is that I lost so much muscle mass. that I don't think that I will be able to get it back. Let's hope that I will but most damage is already done and who knows what it will be in the future even after they'll remove the implants.

Get your implant out the sooner as possible. Don't worry about having to wear a partial/denture. What counts is your health and happiness. After all, regardless of your looks, your real friends will always be your friends.

Take care..

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[Bertin76](#) Sep 23, 2010

I want to add some information which I think it's needed. many ask how to do a melisa test and the cost of it.

Well to my surprise I found out that the Melisa Foundation has two centers in the USA . One is located in New Jersey and this is the address:

South Amboy Medical Center

540 Bordentown Avenue

Suite 2300

South Amboy, N.J. 08879

tel. 1-732-721-1234

the other is:

Pharmasan Labs

373 280 th Street  
Osceola, WI, 54020  
Tel.1-715-294-2144

Now, the South Amboy, New Jersey laboratory will only charge \$75 (I though that it would cost much more) but I don't know how much the other will charge. If a test is needed, and it is to find out about this Titanium toxicity, just call the number and they will send a kit to have blood drawn by a physician. After that the kit is returned to them with a check for \$75. And that's all. The test result will be sent later.

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 02, 2010

Have any of you read or heard about N.I.C.O. (Neuralgia induced cavitational osteonecrosis)? I visited an unconventional oral surgeon who proposed taking out the implant as well as the adjacent root-canaled tooth and some of the surrounding bone because of the above diagnosis.

The American Dental Association does not recognize this diagnosis as being anything other than the kind proposed by charlatans and quacks. Conversely, A.D.A. may very well be inducing illness and certainly some damage by what is their standard of care, but they don't want to think about it. The status quo is fine with them as long as they can go along making money and ignoring the people they hurt.

Meanwhile, who are we to believe? Approval by the A.D.A. doesn't mean much to me. I lost a tooth due to orthodontic treatment, and now have all of this unexplained phenomena going on since the dental implant.

One thing about the supposed "quackster" I saw today. He didn't even take a payment after looking at all of my films and talking with me for 45 minutes. He felt bad for me with all that I had been through. He is getting ready to retire as it is wearing on a person to be treated as a criminal for practicing what he believes to be good medicine and dentistry.

Have you noticed the medical and dental establishments makes every effort to disprove and squelch any voice that may question the standard of care in our society. Why is this? Who really do we need to be wary of???

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[jerandi](#) Oct 02, 2010

Bertin76, let us know what your website is when you create it. Serbin, I too am nervous about the removal of the implant. Either way, it is coming out. The dentist who put it in finally said he'd take it out. The UCLA oral/max team should let me know whether or not it will be a nightmare since the bone adhered - whether or not my cleft palate will be affected - and whether or not the rest of the issues with my gums/tongue will go away. I saw a Dr. Oz show last week regarding the tongue - and one of my symptoms closely looked like an allergy to the mouth. Except - for me it is times 10 probably due to it being there two years. Next Tuesday is a big day for Serbin and I. Serbin, please let us know how you are. I'm right behind you in the process and after care of the removal. I'm also hoping whatever they do to fill the hole - we are also not allergic to. Curedsoon, I have been to so many dentists - all are very "curious" and "sympathetic" and do tell me I do have to fix whatever is wrong -

but they can't help me. Finally, an oral/max doctor referred me to the UCLA max/facial team and hopefully they'll get to the bottom. I'll keep you all posted.

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 02, 2010

Bertin76, I had the Melisa test done which I posted on June 7th. The periodontist told me the titanium I tested positive for has nothing to do with the titanium in my mouth. It cost me near \$400.00. I am glad if you have found a way to pay less for this information.

--Also the oral surgeon I saw yesterday, who is also a doctor of osteopathy, said that dental implants are almost always chronically infected and result in bone loss around the implant. I can tell you I feel like my mouth always has a low grade infection going. The antibiotics I was taking to help the problem ended up contributing to symptoms and causing an autoimmune reaction of their own, so I had to stop with that.

--The ENT who in June was telling me that the scar tissue caused by the implant penetrating the sinus was a probable source of irritation and inflammation has now reversed his opinion and feels since the sinus was clear on a CT scan that I have nothing to complain about. Interesting. The sinus is clear, but there is evidence of mucosal thickening on the floor of the left maxillary sinus consistent with a condition of inflammatory origin---oh yeah. These are the exact words of an oral and maxillofacial radiologist. What a flipping mystery!!!! And now he does not think it is a problem because why? He probably has been talking with his oral surgeon friend who has told him to keep quiet and not aid or abet any person who has the potential to bring about a law suit to one of the "brothers." What a sick health care system we have. Money, lawyers, and docs who stick their heads in the sand when some of their "treatments" cause more harm than good.

jerandi, I would like it if you would give me the names of the team you are meeting with at UCLA so that I can request an appointment. I would like to get another opinion, as I don't know if taking this hardware out will leave the sinus in any better condition and that I will still be left with symptoms because of the scar tissue created when the implant penetrated the sinus membrane.

Thanks, and good evening to all.

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[merihakca](#) Oct 03, 2010

is there any one who has zirconia implant in his mouth ? Any allergic reaction or similiar effect so far ? For Ti implants, even if the body does not show allergic symtoms in any kind, it has a direct link to Alzheimer since metal inserted bone which is only 1-2 inch away from brain triggers different electric flow patterns which

in turn Alzheimers is most likely outcome. This is one of the thing that medic barrons do not want us to know.

But I wonder whether Zirconia has a similar effect or not ... Although zirconia itself is not metal but it is derived from zirconium which is a metal !

The bone/skeleton structure of body is responsible for very complex electric flow, whatever inserted into it will interfere with the original condition. Personally I do not trust Zirconia as well, but I am searching for information .. any idea or info ?

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 03, 2010

Hi. Regarding my post on June 24, 2010-- I will take my veterinarians' advice and not put any foreign object into my body unless absolutely necessary. But, if I were to have a dental implant again I would rather have the zirconia than metal because it is supposed to be more biocompatible than metal. I have read that it may not be as strong as the titanium alloys and is also more expensive.

As consumers we should be informed of the options, which I wasn't. Medical and dental practitioners should be required by law to inform patients of the options for materials that are going to be installed in THEIR bodies. I should have known what materials were available and what the risks and benefits are of the different materials. As it is now the docs make their own unilateral decisions on what is the best material and where they want to get it. I would like to see direct advertising of biomedical devices and materials to the end user. I don't want some dentist buying the cheapest implant from a supplier with operations in China or some other country without my knowledge.

In my state registered architects and designers are barred from making money on products used on their projects without the clients knowledge. This is because it is viewed as unprofessional and a potential conflict of interest that could affect public safety. As an example you would not want an architect specifying a wall or floor covering that was inferior (maybe it did not meet building codes) so that he or she could pocket a little extra cash. This is why it is called a professional service and not a sales job. Why are doctors and dentists allowed to put whatever product they want into the bodies of their patients without informing the patients of the options? The product should be separate from the service, and we should know about the product and where it comes from. The rules need to change!!

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[Serbin](#) Oct 05, 2010

Hello Jerandi

Well today I go back to talk with the surgeon again. Just want to review things since I am so leary or pain, removal and after effects of this entire procedure.

Inflammation in my body is spreading every day. I will keep you all posted.

Hey, you will all get a good laugh out of this one. On dental website a girl wrote in that she is concerned about the pain of "putting in" her dental implant. I wrote back to her quickly and said "it is very easy to put it in" not so easy to take it out!!! Told her to do her research and do not rush into sometime unless she is well informed about it. Also instructed her if she feels anything not right in those first six weeks.....GET IT OUT!

Maybe there are people we can educate before they are in the situation we are all in.

Have a good day. Keep smiling.

Maryann

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 05, 2010

Well, I encountered other obstacles. The New Jersey laboratory which was ready to do the testing now has issues with NY residents. I will have to go to NJ or CT and find a Doctor there who will then draw my blood and send it to them.

This is strange. They say that the laws in NY are such that at the moment the Melisa accredited laboratories cannot perform the titanium test for New York residents. It doesn't make sense to me.

However, another doctor will do it next Monday evening in New York in a Hospital here not connected with Melisa.

I will keep you informed of the results. I have to get these implants out and my dentist will not remove until I get this test done regardless of my symptoms.

I'm angry. I wish I had never fallen prey to this scam. Have yours removed. The implants are the problems.

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 05, 2010

tell the girl NOT to have any dental implants at all. Save her from years of suffering and potential tumors and who know what else.

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 05, 2010

Hi All,

I want to tell you what has significantly reduced my symptoms:

Celebrex in the day/ Advil at night has helped with body aches and pains as well as numbness.

Antihistamines every day and night.

12 hr. timed release Sudafed with evening meal to control congestion at night--then I need a sleep aid, but



breathing helps sleep for sure!

Patanase nasal inhaler, along with a steroid nasal inhaler nightly has significantly reduced congestion and irritation in the sinus above the implant which was perforated during the procedure of installing the implant.

This is helping me to get through the day (&night). Maybe it will help you.

Have a good day!

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 05, 2010

Thanks. Anything which will improve our condition should be considered. I will follow your advise because I'm really hurting very badly. I'm already taking pain medication but I can add the Celebrex and the other mentioned substances with no problem.

However, our ultimate goal is to have the implants removed. This poison had to come out.

Wish you & all well. I will keep you informed of my progress as soon as I'll take the titanium test next week.

Bye.

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[jerandi](#) Oct 05, 2010

You wouldn't believe how upset I am - I wrote the appointment on the wrong day, so now I have to wait until November 4 for UCLA. I am not a cryer, but I lost it then. Dr. Alan Felsenfeld, 310/825-0834 is the number at UCLA. I have xanax to deal with the newer symptoms that arise daily and Lidex to help with the inflammation of the mouth. Darvocet for pain and everyone, my stomach is nauseaus all the time now. Celexa for depression which is a temporary fix until I get these removed. The removal isn't an option - it is a must. I have Dr. Cayden Lim removing them after UCLA checks it all out. He's in Newport Beach. Thanks for updating me everyone. It truly helps knowing I am not totally alone. Jerandi

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 06, 2010

jerandi keep on. I'm glad that you came up to the conclusion that the implants have to be removed and with no other option other than removal. This titanium is very toxic and by now has spread to all of our organs. It's in our brains with possibility of short or long term neurological problems ,muscle weakness and involuntary movements,memory loss,thyroid,heart,liver,lungs and reproductive system problems.

Why they had to come up with this toxic titanium when they could have invented something very safe? and why the courts or some other oversight authority is not stopping this extremely dangerous scam/procedure?

Ok, today I will make another appointment with another Doctor who knows how to use patches to test this

titanium and I have another test with another Doctor coming up. Hopefully, after the tests they will remove this poison from me. The original dentist will not remove the implants until I get this test done even with all these side effect from the titanium!!!

For now I have to go along with it.

I'll keep you informed with the progress.

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[Serbin](#) Oct 06, 2010

Hello everyone,

Saw my surgeon again to talk to him about any questions I may have.

He was patient and listened to every question and concern and addressed each one of them.

He is ready to remove it when I give him the go ahead.

When he puts an implant into anyone and they mention any problem at all as far as not feeling well....he takes them out right away. He said it may be coincidence that this body inflammation happens or pain occurs, but he doesn't take a chance he removes the implant while it is still very easy to remove.

He said removal may or may not help my condition. That the pain in the elbows started the week after implant was inserted and I started to mention it to the dentist right away, would lead him to believe the implant could be the cause.

He said teeth are easy to remove, but these implants are made to stay in for life...so they are not as easy to take out. When he removes the implant he will use an instrument like a plumber will use when he makes a hole in a cabinet for the pipe to go through. In doing this as very small portion of bone will come out with the implant. This may or may not cause a problem and I could lose the front tooth which is next to it. Hope not to, but it is a possibility. It would not fall out...it could come out in one or two months. My regular dentist will make a mold of my front teeth just to prepare for the worse, and hope, not to need it.

He also said that very tiny slivers may be left behind from the metal. He would like to avoid this but some time it is inevitable. Does not go hunting to remove them later, because that could cause bigger problems.

When I asked what could go wrong...infection? He said yes, infection and many things can go wrong, but that is with anything. It could mean antibiotics if an infection followed, pills..or intervenious for months.....this is not what is expected. But I wanted all the facts.

As far as nerve damage, didn't want my face drooping down, etc. He said no it did not affect those muscles and nerves. I guess mainly we are working with bone not the face and lips.

It has been one year. My joints are getting more sore every week.

I also have ringing in my ears, since this implant.

He said it is totally up to me. Whatever I decide. He said, Unfortunately, removal is the only way we will know

what is going on with the body.

In my mouth my implant looks fine. Of course, in like a rock! ugh!

So he has done this before. Has seen people with problems from it and once they were removed, 50% get better. There is no guarantee. He felt that removal would at least give me some peace of mind. I spend day in and day out trying to make the right decision.

Are the rest of you experiencing joint pain and body inflammation also? Any ringing in the ears?

Anybody out there have theirs removed and how did you do? Having it put in had me worried since it sounds so gruesome, putting it into the bone, but it was a piece of cake.

Would like to hear from someone that had it out.....was it just as easy?? Would just feel better if there was someone out there that went through this.....do we have to be the pioneers???? Please get back to me on this one, thanks girls.

It is next to my front tooth. He said since some bone was removed and the hole is there from the implant my upper jaw at the site would be sunken in some but that over time the bone will fill it. Not perfect but it will be okay. I don't have Julia Robert's smile, so I will be just fine.

Asked if he could knock me out :) he said no, especially with my heart surgery 6 months ago, He would order any relaxing medicine I needed to get through it. I am pretty durable, but I guess the older I get the more squeemish I get.

Sorry so long, but that's what I got. Any questions, let me know.

Thinking of all of you,  
Maryann

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[Serbin](#) Oct 06, 2010

How many implants do you have?

Good to hear you have a surgeon ready to do it.  
Have you met with your surgeon?  
Has he/she given you any info on the removal?

So sorry you got the date mixed up.  
Sometimes it gets so frustrating you just want to cry.

Stick with it. We are working through this!!

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 09, 2010

Well, on Monday I will have the Titanium test done and hopefully it will be the beginning of the final resolution of my case. I want all the implants out. Five of them. They're poisoning me and doing the same to you. I will keep you informed of the test results not to satisfy me, I know my problems is the implants, but the dentists/surgeons who will have to remove them.

I've been told that I will loose some bone. Let it be if necessary. I want to feel good again. Then maybe, maybe I will explore some other possibilities like the ceramic or metal free zirconia. But...I'm not going to rush into it anytime soon!

I wonder though if IVORY IMPLANTS wouldn't be a safer alternative! After all it's bone.

Regardless, I'm not going to be lied to and misled by the zillion dollar medical industry anymore.

I wish you all well and, please, post what's going on with you and share idea if you can.

For those contemplating Titanium implants: DON'T DO IT.

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[jerandi](#) Oct 09, 2010

I didn't have any of the mouthsores and itchiness of the head and headaches as much as I did after the implants. I have these tonsilliths that have nothing to do with my tonsils the ENT said. November 4th is the next UCLA appointment and what kind of bothers me is these dentists are calling ahead and almost like tipping them off. At least I know I'm not crazy. I have a journal that actually goes to when the symptoms first started. So that's how we know it is the implants. My throat is sore and that makes my ears hurt, but that's the extent of the throat/ears. I am trying this noni juice which is to help with inflammation. I saw a Dr. Oz and the mouthsores were an allergy - which looked like what I had. So. Noni juice (yucky stuff), twice a day and wait for the removal. My two implants are next to my front teeth. I already had the mouth impressions to get a bridge. I'm holding off on the surgery until I make sure (through UCLA) that whatever I put in place after the removal - I'm not allergic to. I hope to have this completed in 2010. Remember - allergies do not go away unless you remove whatever it is you are allergic to. I'm excited to see your progress. We may be on opposite sides of the coast, but we are a support system of sorts. Keep me posted. I truly look forward to all of our progress. Hang in there.

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 10, 2010

You are not crazy. What is crazy is the the lack of ethics and caring perpetuated by our healthcare system. The goal is to continue making money on these procedures and ignore the people who have problems with the procedures or make them feel like they are the problem. Another contributing factor is the fear of lawsuits. So you pay a practitioner to help you figure out this trouble, but the priority for them is maintaining the status quo and protecting themselves and other practitioners from lawsuits. Not a good deal for us.

I would be so pleased if I could find a healthcare practitioner who had seen this problem before, (and would admit to it), and knew what to do about it. I am hesitant to take the implant out, as now the tooth next to it has trouble and needed a retreat on a root canal. The sinus above the implant shows inflammatory changes also, and

the inflammation may be due to scar tissue formed when the implant perforated the sinus or the tooth next to the implant. So what if I take the implant out and then figure it is the scar tissue or the tooth next to the implant causing trouble?

There must be someone who knows what is going on and how to fix it.

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 10, 2010

Did you take the metal tests? You need to get a blood test and or parch test to see the allergy/ toxicity to the titanium implants. I'm going Monday and I want all my implants out. I know for sure that what I'm going through is a direct side effect of the toxicity of the titanium implants.

I felt good before the implants and I've been going through hell literally and figuratively after this painful and dangerous implant procedure.

It's documented, Titanium is a toxic metal (mercola.com). There are safer implants but are costly for the Dentists so they offer you no alternatives and don't even make you aware of the possible/probable horrible side effects. I'm with you, Jerandi,merihakca et all. I pray that this nightmare will soon be over for all of us.

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 10, 2010

Yes, I had my allergist do a patch test and only tested positive for a form of gold. I also had the Melisa test done and posted the results on June 7. Neither test did me much good. It would have been a relief to have a definite positive result to the titanium, but that is not what I got.

--The Melisa test advised not using any kind of oral or inhaled steroid for five days prior to testing but I was unable to comply as I really like breathing through my nose and not coughing all night long. So maybe the results were skewed because I was unable to refrain from using the meds. I did question why the titanium tested for with the Melisa test supposedly has nothing to do with the titanium in our mouths (via my periodontist), but never got an answer from Melisa. What do you want for \$400.00?

This whole experience has been a drain in every way imaginable.

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[Serbin](#) Oct 11, 2010

My melissa test came back and did not show that I was allergic to this type of titanium, which is in our mouths.....so the dentist said. I showed slightly allergic to a different type. I will write back

later and tell you which type.

So just because it did not show what we wanted doesn't mean we are not reacting to the implants. It may not be an allergy but a reaction.....same problem. Pain and suffering.

I have breathing problems whenever I take any pill (and most pills have it) that has titanium dioxide in it..

I just want peace of mind. I wrestle with the decision day and night to have it removed. My surgeon said he has seen this but removes it right way when the person mentions it and before it is adhered to the bone. He has removed them and 50% get better.

He is ready to remove the implant the minute I give him the go ahead.

Just not looking for any more complications from the surgery then we already have.

6 months since open heart surgery and now I found out last week I have a possible torn rotary cuff....MRI this week. So the implant surgery kept getting pushed back. I know I should just go and get it out but I am soooo scared of any complications.

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 11, 2010

I feel really bad listening what you had to say. Wasted money without even knowing if you are allergic to titanium or not probably because if the inhaled steroids supposedly for the asthma.

Well, last week I went to see another allergist. His secretary told me that they did the titanium patch test there in the office, however, when I arrived at my appointment time and saw the actual Doctor the only test he did was the food allergy test. When I mentioned that I was there for the titanium test because of my implants he answered evasively by saying that what I real needed was a toxicologist test .

He gave me a form for a blood test which had nothing to do with my problems and advised me to go online and find a laboratory!!! What a Jack...!

At any rate this afternoon I'll go for the titanium test which was scheduled three weeks ago, if it's not postponed . I'm concerned because, as in your case, when I saw this last allergist he made me inhale some steroids, to "improve my breathing".

I hope that by now the steroid is out of my system. In the meantime I feel horrible, with the same muscle pain, loss of weight, headaches, thyroid-sore throat, digestive tract pain, strange dreams etc. etc. Now I'm having blurred vision.

I hope that the test come up positive as I believe it should be so they will remove these implants. I'm wondering now if it's going to be like you. I need to get these implants out, I'm too miserable.

If and when you answer I would like to know how you feel physically. I'll keep you informed by tonight . I was told that I will have to go twice to get this test done. This afternoon it will be the first one and in a couple of days will be the second. I really would like to have a blood test and a patch test. Let's see what happens. Take care..

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 11, 2010

I have aching feet and knees and neck, tingling in the hands and feet as well as extreme pain in my right hip, leg, and shoulder. The left side of the body feels more numb than painful. A tmj specialist said that the dental implant pain on the left I feel is referred from the tmj. Is it just a coincidence that the left jaw joint is bothering me?

My neck and lower back are bothering me every day (thus the Celebrex and Advil). Today I went to a neurologist who diagnosed me with degenerative arthritis of the spine and neck. He says this can cause numbness, weakness, and everything I am experiencing. I just wonder if it is all of the sudden so bad (I did have previous neck + back pain) and now including neurological symptoms because of the some systemic inflammation in reaction to the implant. It seems like there is more than just one person who feels like me. We are not being recognized by the medical community.

I wish there were an honest doc who would admit to seeing this before, or I wish there were some studies documenting this phenomena. I really feel like the medical community has abandoned us. Now, what if I get this implant taken out and feel just the same--especially since some the symptoms appeared pre-implant?

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 11, 2010

Oh how I wish the symptoms would have been more definite and shown up earlier. At least your surgeon has admitted he has seen this before. You are on the East Coast?

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 11, 2010

The patch test I had done for metal allergy I had was called the dental series. I don't believe for that one that I was instructed to stop with the inhaled steroids or even antihistamines for the test. They put the patches on your back and make a small scratch through the patch onto your skin and leave it for a few days and then take it off and record the reaction.

I would be interested in a toxicology test, as one doctor talked to me about it but didn't know where to go for a toxicology test on dental materials. Please post if you find out.

Thanks.

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 12, 2010

Ok, I have some updates. Yesterday there was no test . The Doctor's nurse called me and told to come today. I went this morning and she placed the metal tests patches on my back and told to come back on Thursday I don't know what she will do on Thursday. Maybe to remove them and on Friday the Doctor will discuss the case with ,me.

This test should satisfy the dentist/surgeon. Hopefully,I'll get these implants out.

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 12, 2010

I want to add that I would be interested too in having a toxicology test for this titanium and other metals used for the implants. I asked the nurse if I could have titanium/metal blood test in addition to the patch test and she says that it wasn't reliable. I forgot to mention the possibility of a blood toxicology test. Looks like the blood metal test maybe the same as the blood metal toxicology test. I believe that a blood metal test makes sense since the toxic ions from the titanium implants are already in the bloodstream and could be detected.

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 17, 2010

Do any of you know if the sinus membrane was perforated during the installation of your implant/s?

I am currently using an antifungal nasal rinse that has provided relief of some of the symptoms of congestion and bloody discharge on the side of the implant. I was told once the membrane is perforated you then have scar tissue which can serve as a rough place for the microbes to attach. Antibiotics and nasal steroids can also encourage growth of fungus. It is not necessarily a fungal infection, but a colonization which can nonetheless be irritating to the tissue.

I got this info. from a homeopathic M.D..

I think I told you an oral surgeon/d.o. is recommending I take the implant out as well as the root canaled tooth adjacent to it and have the bone cleaned out around it all. It sounds drastic but I will be considering it if it will help me regain my health. This same doc has done this type of surgery many times and has also found fungus balls in the sinus cavities of people he removes these implants from. I talked to an acquaintance who has had surgery by this doc to remove the diseased bone in the area where her wisdom teeth once were and subsequently worked for this doc and sometimes assisted with surgeries. She said she has seen him remove the grey fuzzy fungus balls from the sinus cavities of some people having their implants removed.

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[KFB818](#) Oct 18, 2010

I have Yellow Nail Syndrome, which is a very rare disorder that has yellow thick nails, swollen limbs, and sinusitis and/or pleural effusions. I just saw a medical study that felt that titanium and/or titanium dioxide was the cause. The URL is: <http://www.springerlink.com/content/55n8226584171427/fulltext.pdf>.

What I think this group will find interesting is that the study indicates that the easiest solution may not be to remove the titanium (such as an implant or pin), but to remove the metal (such as gold earrings/ring or titanium eyeglasses) that is interacting with the titanium and is causing titanium ions to form, which increases the mental sensitivity issue. A large amount of dental amalgams can also interact with titanium, causing the ions to form. Ditto with flouride.

Also reducing the drugs, confectionary (in particular M&Ms and Skittles), toothpaste, gum, sunblock, food, cosmetics, etc that contain titanium dioxide can help reduce ions.

This study states "stopping galvanic release of titanium ions or canceling exposure to titanium dioxide" is key.

I am looking into the MELISA test, though it sounds like the results can be inconclusive. Maybe get both the patch and MELISA? I don't have an implant, but do have several crowns. I have calls to my dentists to see if they can verify if they are titanium. I do take several drugs that contain titanium dioxide.

I have removed all gold jewelry, have switched to a non-floride & non-titanium dioxide toothpast, and am feeling a little better. If the crowns are titanium, I will get them replaced with a non-metal replacement.

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 20, 2010

curedsoon, I don't know what the surgeons did. There was more than one surgeon performing the implants. Now that you have suggested that possibility I really would like to know about it. The problem is that they have been telling me nothing but lies so far.

A recent test by a non-qualified dermatologist doesn't show any allergy to the material used for the implants that is titanium. However, this is not an indication that titanium is not a toxic substance. In fact studies have shown that titanium is indeed toxic and is not recommended for dental implants. also because there are very safe alternatives like non-metal zirconia.

I will shortly take the Melisa titanium blood test , I had to go find a Doctor in New Jersey to request the kit from the laboratory as they don't accept any blood drawn by New York Doctors claiming that the State of New York has not yet approved their laboratory. I don't believe this.

However, a Doctor from New Jersey will call me when he receives the kit from the laboratory and then I'll see what happens. This Doctor in New Jersey though is taking advantage of my insurance.

Figure this out. In exchange for him being "nice" to me I will have to see about four of his co-conspirators Doctors for things that have nothing to do with a blood test I'll do what I have to do for now.

I'll keep you informed.

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[jerandi](#) Oct 23, 2010

KFB-Do you think my gold root canal that was done years prior to the titanium implants is reacting to the Ti implants?

curedsoon-So those fungal areas - were they only noticeable in the sinus area after a surgery was done?

Bertin-Benadryl has the allergy relief without titanium dioxide. That was the only one I could find without it. I still have to take claritin or zyrtec - only because it is a 24 hour relief. It is hard to remember to take pills - and the Benadryl was every 4 hours.

All-my allergist said that my skin is hyper-reactive and would test positive for everything. So making me comfortable is where the doctors are at.

November 4 is around the corner - I have stopped taking the fluocinonide cream - it is normally not prescribed for oral use - but it sure helps the sores quite fast. I recommend using it though...it really helps while waiting. The reason I gave it a break is because I want UCLA to see it totally ugly -- it seems if I take the medicine, it doesn't look as bad - bad, but not as bad. I'll be checking out your websites after this post. Hang in there! My cancer doc said her patients improved after the removal of their implants. She said their "immune" problems went away.

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 24, 2010

According to the homeopathic md I recently saw there is a well known Mayo clinic study that found a large percentage (I think 90%) of chronic sinusitis sufferers have fungal colonies in their sinus passages. As far as I understand the people in the study improved with 6 weeks of amphotericin nasal spray 3x day. You can probably find the study online and look up all the details yourself. This md reasoned that since the dental implant perforated the sinus membrane (woops) in my case that now I have scar tissue and a rough surface for microbes to attach to and that this may be contributing to the irritation I feel in that area. The ENT I saw did not see "any indication" for the use of the antifungal in spite of a ct scan that noted mucosal thickening of an inflammatory origin on the floor of the maxillary sinus perforated by the implant, so I am pleased to have found a doc I am getting somewhere with.

The neurologist I was referred to has told me degenerative arthritis is the cause of my other aches and pains. I have a theory that the fungus in the sinus and dental area-could be widespread and causing other systemic problems. I say this because the last time I took a doxycycline (which in the beginning worked for the apical periodontitis in the tooth next to the implant) now causes a worsening of numbness, aches and pains, especially in the dental area. It is well known that the tetracyclines act as fertilizers for yeast and fungal problems. This chronic problem is something that is not acknowledged by mainstream medicine, as they feel a systemic fungal problem is only of the acute and critical kind that will kill you quickly. I did find a rheumatology website for a couple of docs in Riverside, CA that details the various infectious causes of arthritis and I think a fungal infection is one of them.

That I have so many aches and pains I need to take celebrex to get through the day and advil at night as well as unrelenting pain and trouble in the implant area makes me feel like everthing is related. Also, I was in pretty good health prior to this implant.

Does anyone know how I would go about changing my name from curedsoon to curednow or cured? I am doing my best to think positively and want the name to reflect it.

Thanks.

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[KFB818](#) Oct 25, 2010

According to the study, gold (in crowns, fillings, jewelry) interacts with the titanium to form the ions. So does titanium dioxide, in drug coatings and "crunchy" confectionary coatings(M&MS, Skittles, gum, etc). So does fluoride (mouth rinses and toothpaste). Titanium glasses and body jewelry can also interact. The study also said that a large amount of amalgams could have an effect. I emailed the doctor who did the study to and he said:

"Some dentists put ceramic or gold crowns on top of a titanium pin. Titanium is extremely hard and cannot be drilled away without damaging the tooth. My dentist managed to loosen a titanium pin by ultrasonic sound. The safest procedure is merely removing all gold and amalgam."

I emailed him back to find out if he meant gold amalgams or other types also. I'll let you know.

This is just one study, so before having crowns/fillings removed, it's worth trying to eliminate all the other stuff to see if it helps your discomfort. I was able to find products that don't contain titanium dioxide or fluoride. I still have two medications that have titanium dioxide. I am feeling better--but it could be the medications I'm taking.

I have three crowns. Two are high noble alloys, which contain mostly gold. Haven't heard back yet about the third crown.

I heard back from \*\*\*@\*\*\*\*. She said the lab in NJ no longer does the MELISA test, but that is still available via NeuroScience Inc, in Osceola, WI.

I'm going to get my nails tested (as was done in the study) to see if titanium is detected in my system. I don't think this shows an allergy -- just that you have titanium in your system, but it will help my doctors validate the study. In my case (yellow nail syndrome), I don't know if it matters if I am allergic to titanium.

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 25, 2010

Jerandi, there always that possibility of an allergic reaction caused by that combination because even though we think that gold is the best we can place in your mouth/bodies, gold an an allergen, is something that's not part of our body.

So I don't exclude a negative reaction when the two elements are present. Our body just doesn't want anything that is not part of its genetic make up.

That explain why many have undiagnosable illnesses which elude rational medical explanation.

KFB818,which medical laboratory doesn't do anymore the Melisa tests? Actually today I was in New Jersey and a Doctor there drew my blood enough for a Basic MELISA Titanium test, which basically consists in

analyzing the blood for ten metals including the Titanium.

Normally the test is very expensive but for the time being it's FREE. They only charge a fee of \$75 for handling and which includes a prepaid FedEx shipping.

In NJ there is only one accredited Melisa Laboratory. There are only two in the entire USA. The other one is in WI. If interested I would give you again the exact address so you can all be tested and have more peace of mind on what to do next. If you have already the Titanium implants this blood test can reveal any allergy (and possible toxicity) to not only the Titanium but to nine more metals. You may find out that you maybe be also allergic to Gold, Nickel, Vanadium etc..etc.'

You have also the option, I believe, to be tested on more metals. I chose the Basic 10 metals because I firmly believe that all my problems are caused by the Titanium Implants.

Hope this will help.

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[KFB818](#) Oct 26, 2010

Abouty the Melisa test, I sent an email to Lana Foree at Melisa Diagnostics (lana at melisa.org) and told her I wanted info about getting tested, and that the NJ lab would be more convenient than the WI lab. She responded: "Thank you for your interest in the Melisa test. We no longer offer it, but it is available through NeuroScience Inc, in Osceola, WI."

That's great that she was misinformed, and that the test is free (I had seen that from 1 - 5 metals were close to \$500). Please let us know the details. Maybe the doctors are FedExing the sample to the WI lab.

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 26, 2010

Hi, I just saw your post and I'm glad to answer to your questions. There must be a communication problem between the two laboratories but follow me.

My closest laboratory in in NJ. The name is:

Health Diagnostics and Research Institute, however they still go by their old name that is: Vitamin Diagnostics  
540 Bordentown Avenue  
South Amboy, N.J. 08879  
732-721-1234

Do not fax them, just call the number and wait until option 10 kicks in and right the 10 on your phone or cellphone. A lady by the name Josephine, if I'm correct on the name will answer, and you ask to send a titanium kit to your own private physician. They will not send the kit to you.

Your Doctor also will have to call to request the Melisa kit (mine was the basic, 10 metals only including the Titanium). Normally, just after your Doctor's call the laboratory will fax to your Doctor the necessary form/forms for a Melisa test kit request. He/She will have to write down his/her Doctor's license number, his/her address and check the box for how many tests he/she wants you to have done. Your name and address will have to be entered too. Very simple.

At this point the Doctor will fax the request to the laboratory and within a couple of days, maybe three he/she will receive the requested Melisa test kit with a certain numbers of tubes for the blood and one or two hard plastic boxes to hold them safe for the mailing.

The Doctor will call you when the Melisa kit arrives and you go for the blood drawing. The laboratory recommends not to have the blood drawing on week end as it will arrive when the laboratory is closed and will no longer be good for the test.

Solution: make an appointment with your Doctor for a Monday or Tuesday morning.. After the blood is drawn and all the package is all seal up you have to go fast to the nearest Fed Ex Office and leave it there so it will be picked up by their own drivers for the delivery to the laboratory.

The Fed Ex mailing is already prepaid so you don't have to pay a cent.. (FedEx Billable Stamp)

One one step back. Don't forget to include a check for the amount of \$75 which as I said in my last post is considered a shipping and handling fee. Not bad. The test is free. I don't know for how long it will be free but for now is free. Or you can fill out a place for a credit card payment. Your signature and credit card information is needed.

Now, make sure that you stop taking steroid or steroid containing medications or cortisone or medication for asthma as these medications will mess up the test. You should stop all such medications at least a week prior to the blood drawing.

My last conversation with Ms. Josephine at the Laboratory was on October the 25 around 9:30 AM and all was ok with them. She didn't tell me that they had stopped the Melisa test. Actually she even elaborated on the Basic Melisa test and on how to write up the check. She told me that I could still write Vitamin Diagnostics.

So, I believe that nothing is changed and that they're still doing the Melisa test. No matter where you live I would have this test done by the NJ laboratory because the WI laboratory doesn't want to tell me the cost of it. They only said "the price is listed on the literature which you will receive!!!!". Don't sound cheap to me.

KFB818, try to get it done in NJ. and do it fast. You cannot beat the \$75. Your Doctor can also ask for more Tubes to check more metal allergies and they will send you more without any change.

I went for four tube for the basic Titanium test which will test 10 metals including of course the Titanium. In case you need more information please write. I'll do anything possible to help.

If I can copy and paste one page of their main brochure I'll do within the next few minutes id I can. Take care. Best wishes to all.

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[Serbin](#) Oct 27, 2010

Hi Curedsoon,

Your post of Oct 11 is my exact same story.

A week after my implant I could feel it start in my elbows and has gotten progressively worse with each passing day. Shoulders, wrist, fingers, feet, hips, lower back etc. Not to say I didn't have some minor aches and pains before, but this is ridiculous.

Waiting for MRI results today on my shoulder.

Met with my regular dentist yesterday. He spoke with the surgeon I found to remove implant. My dentist felt

the surgeon seemed experienced and well versed in the removal process. He did say that the surgeon said "this may or may not help" he has seen it go both ways. He also said that since my tooth is in the front, it is a little more concerning about the surrounding teeth, molar implant removals in the rear are much easier. So if your implant is in the rear there is a little bit of good news. :-) They are concerned about the appearance of the gum line after the removal of some of the bone with the implant.

That's all I have today. I wish you all well and feel a certain sisterhood to all of you. Teamwork and information shared has got to get us all feeling better.

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[KFB818](#) Oct 27, 2010

Bertin76—Thanks for the Melisa info. It was very thorough and very helpful. Is it just the Basic 10-metal test that is free except for a \$75 processing fee?

I just received an info sheet today from the NJ lab. It indicates that the Basic 10-metal test includes a test for TiO<sub>2</sub>, which is titanium dioxide (this is what is in drug/candy coatings, toothpaste, etc). Basic doesn't test for Ti, which is titanium.

Ti and TiO<sub>2</sub> are both in the Implant Material test and in the Titanium Alloys test (which tests for other titanium alloys too).

Does anyone know if both Ti and TiO<sub>2</sub> are needed to really determine a titanium allergy? Or is Ti the main one?

I have to admit that I'm not impressed with the Melisa org so far. I think that when someone calls the lab and says they want to be tested for titanium, the lab person should discuss the titanium options to ensure the caller makes the choice that best suits their needs. Also, the Melisa org is very untimely about sending info, they don't seem to want to give a price list, and don't even seem to know which of their labs give the Melisa test. This is difficult enough without throwing unnecessary obstacles in people's paths.

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[KFB818](#) Oct 28, 2010

I called the NJ Melisa lab today. All their tests are free except for the \$75 processing fee. The lab person said this price could go on for a few more weeks or a few more months. She said they are trying to revalidate their tests.

Since the Basic Profile tests Titanium Dioxide (TiO<sub>2</sub>), and not Titanium, she said also select the checkbox to "Add 1 Metal" and enter Ti (Titanium). The total cost will still be \$75.

This way you will be tested for Titanium, as well as the 10 most common elements that cause problems: Titanium Dioxide, Gold, 2 Mercury compounds, Nickel, Lead, Tin, Cadmium, Palladium, Beryllium.



This will work for me (I don't have a titanium implant), but for those who do, the Implant Material test (14 metals) and the Titanium Alloys test (5 metals, of which only CaTi is not in the Implant Material test) will test more types of titanium.

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 28, 2010

FBK818, What happened was that the laboratory sent 8 citrate tubes to collect the blood, however when I went to the Doctor's Office, the technician decided to use only 4 of them for the Basic test.

I don't know if I should have used all of them for more tests. As I saw that the Basic Melisa test included TiO<sub>2</sub> I felt that that meant the Titanium allergy/toxicity test which I'm trying to have it done.

Now, with what you say that there might be a difference between TiO<sub>2</sub> and Ti I believe that I should have chosen the "Titanium Alloys" or the "Implant material" test which include both, the TiO<sub>2</sub> and the Ti tests.

What happens is that I'm dealing with unqualified Allergists who have no knowledge of anything about Titanium and Titanium allergy or toxicity.

I'm making all these researches and appointments on my own.

What I have to do now is go to the NYC allergist and ask if he knows the difference between the two. Another allergist, a woman, couldn't help me either. Looks like whether men or women Doctors they play stupid, don't want to rock the boat, that this Titanium it's toxic, or are plain ignorant on the subject.

Probably, I will have to tell the NJ Doctor to request another kit with the tubes so they can draw more blood for the other test which includes the Ti test. As I explained, the Melisa laboratories will not accept any request from NYS Doctors claiming that NYS has not yet approved their laboratory.

I look forward to have this thing explained to me and spend another \$75. I believe that whatever test you choose is still \$75. However, I'm not 100% sure. Just request either the Basic or Titanium Alloys test and send the \$75 and see what happens. As for the explanation about the difference between the two I really don't know, at this point what to tell you. I have to talk to the NY allergists. I saw three of them with zero help or results! Or let's make a Google search about the differences.

After I know more I'll keep you informed.

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 28, 2010

Ok, I called the laboratory. I was told by Josephine? that they have already done the test on the blood received and it's the Implant Material test which includes the Ti and TiO<sub>2</sub>.

Looks like they did the Implant Material test even though the stupid technician used only 4 tubes of blood when 5 are required. (remember the laboratory sent 10 tubes)

At this point you can be sure that if you request the same one (14 tests) will still be \$75.

One less worry!

Take care.



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[Bertin76](#) Oct 28, 2010

Correction: as I previously stated the laboratory sent 8 tubes, not 10.

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 28, 2010

KFB818, really now I don't remember anymore how many tubes they sent. The fact is that the laboratory sent two prepaid kits which include two separate sets of tubes and two prepaid FedEx envelopes. In each kit there are either 4 or 5 tubes in a protective container-box.

Send all the necessary tubes necessary for the required tests. Now, that the fee is still a bargain I suggest that you do them all or most of them at one time.

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[KFB818](#) Oct 29, 2010

I'm going to take the Melisa "Metals" test (which includes titanium dioxide, gold, and amalgams in the 16 metals it tests) and do the "add 1 metal (Titanium)" test to get the titanium. This will still be \$75 for the 2 tests. Can't beat that.

Since I don't have an implant, this will work for me since the interaction of titanium dioxide and gold (producing titanium ions) is theoretically the cause of my yellow nail syndrome (according to the study I posted here). I was able to piggyback onto that study; the doctor/lab in Sweden will test my nails. Two of my gross-looking thick yellow nails recently fell off, but that was perfect for the study. I sent them off. In the study, every yellow-nail-syndrome person showed some level of titanium. None of the other people (and most of them had titanium implants) showed any titanium level.

I find that interesting. In this forum, we are all reacting to titanium. What makes someone get yellow nail syndrome versus the conditions the rest of you are getting? Is allergy to titanium the cause? I will be interested to see my Melisa results. I am betting that I am not allergic to titanium. When I asked this Swedish doctor about whether I should get a Melisa test, he said: "A positive MELISA for titanium has been reported, but not in Yellow Nail Syndrome, to my knowledge. I leave that to others to investigate."

As an aside, there are only about 150 yellow nail syndrome people in the entire world. Talk about a condition that is hard to get answers about. Until this Swedish study, which claims titanium is the cause, there was no known cause. I'm hoping for the best, but it is only one study.

This group is awesome in the way you are all trying (often without the help of doctors) to find a solution for your problems.

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 29, 2010

KFB818, you're doing the right think by taking all these tests. Certainly, they will give you a better idea of what's going on in your body and what is causing your symptoms, a thing which a regular blood test wouldn't never have revealed.

It is unfortunate that you as well as me and all the others have not received much help by those who should be concerned about our health.

Looks like each one of us is on his/her own. Hopefully. that the interaction on this forum has somewhat given us new directions to follow through to try to regain our well being.

I wonder how the others, on top of all "curedsoon" who started this thread, are doing. Have they decided/resigned themselves to live with it? have they improved? have they removed the implants? Contemplating ,maybe, going over again the all thing by re-doing the implants looking for a Dentist/Surgeon who will only use ceramics/metal free zirconia?

I know that it's painful and costly but at time it must be done if at all possible or within the human possibilities. As for me, I only wish that I had made online researches before I allowed the Dentists to use Titanium on me. I would have opted for the other two materials but not titanium. Just think at what I will have to go through if finally I will be " lucky" to have them removed!

Another painful operation and post op nerve pain and who knows what will be my body's response for having being exposed to almost a year to the toxic ions from the Titanium! The irony is that I spent my life staying away from all the sources of possible contamination, infections, no smoking, no drinking, no illegal drugs and now these toxic implants?

Well, as soon as the MD in NJ calls me to go to his office for the tests results, should be a few days now, I will seriously make up my mind at what to do next. The problem is that, I've been told, that if they remove the implants they will have to shave off/remove a substantial amount of bone. No good!

KFB818, keep me/us informed of what your tests will reveal. I'll do the same. Hang on in there and be strong.

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 30, 2010

Do any of you have upper implants that intrude into the maxillary sinus? If so, do you have nasal drainage on that side (one nostril) where the implant is?

Thanks

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 30, 2010

curedsoon, glad to hear from you again. I believe that I must be in this category. I had upper titanium implants, 5 of them, and might not have been placed properly. It was done in a local teaching hospital with little supervision. I have so many problems including those you mentioned but cannot give an exact picture of it because I'm overwhelmed by facial pain, headaches, blurred vision in addition with those you eloquently described for yourself when you first started this thread. So this drip may appear to be secondary for me. I'm using pain medication and other medication to control some symptoms of allergy but it's just a patch up here and there, not a solution.

All night long I had a very stiff and painful chest and back muscle and each time I inhaled I got worse. I'm waiting for the Melisa blood test so I can show the dentists/Surgeons and convince them that there is no other option other than removal of the titanium.

I know that it's going to be hell but what else can I do? I wish that those incompetent people had at least suggested that Titanium might cause "some" (actually many) side effects and offered the safer alternative discussed above.

Now I would have a permanent or semi-permanent solution already taken care of instead of having to go through a chap job with the removal of the bone and titanium and having to wear a removable bridge. Why in hell these Doctors at a teaching hospital didn't know about the toxicity of titanium, that it's not recommended anymore after having being researched and researched many times and that new safe ceramic/metal free zirconia is already in use without any problems to patients? Stay in touch.

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 31, 2010

Thanks for your reply.

At this point I am getting significant relief of what I thought was dental pain by treating the maxillary sinus with an anti-fungal spray. I am also taking an oral anti-fungal medication that is reducing the other symptoms. In desperation I went to a homeopath who is also an m.d. He reasoned that by perforating the sinus (woops!) with the dental implant that a rough surface or scar tissue is created in the sinus lining (they don't charge extra for this), taking antibiotics for a subsequent dental infection in a tooth adjacent to the implant (they also don't charge extra for this side effect), and using steroid nasal sprays are all factors that could increase the opportunity for fungal sinusitis. It is not the same as an invasive fungal infection, but more like a colony of irritating fungal organisms living on the tissue above the implant. This was causing the most irritating dull ache in the implant and surrounding area.

This doc also told me that the waste products of yeast and fungus are neurotoxic. He also told me mainstream medicine will not acknowledge the systemic effects of yeast like candida unless it is the invasive kind and you are critically ill. The ENT I previously consulted also saw "no indication" for the use of the antifungal treatments, in spite of mucosal thickening on the floor of the maxillary sinus above the implant. This could also explain why I improved after stopping the doxycycline I was taking, as it serves as a "fertilizer" for fungus.

For now I am grateful to be figuring this out and getting my health back. Right now the left side of my mouth almost feels as good as the right. It is amazing. So, it may not be the implant material itself, but something that was caused by the implant perforating the sinus.

Another website-- thearthritiscenter--for some rheumatologists in Riverside, California talks about the infectious causes of arthritis. Candida is one of them. I don't know for sure yet, but maybe this explains my situation. I will keep you posted.

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[margypops](#) Oct 31, 2010

I have just read through most of this thread , I wanted to ask if after having any implant removed you still get the symptoms you are all describing, I had trouble having mine removed but did find someone to do it, 2 years later I am still having those symptoms on and off, sometimes I feel okay other times I am just coping. I even thought I had Lyme disease but reading this, it sounds like Metal toxicity even though the metal is out, when it was still in my mouth I could hardly get downstairs, my feet burned .My question is does it ever get better , I also now have untable blood sugar and I think Low thyroid although that comes back negative .The worst symptom I have is hive rashes around my neck and head, itchy scalp ...

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[Bertin76](#) Oct 31, 2010

curedsoon hi, I believe that I was the one who answered your above questions although you only mention KFB818, Anyway, I think that all what you're doing is a temporary fix and that you should find a permanent solution to this titanium side-effects/toxicity.

In addition what happened with all the problems you listed when you firsts started this thread? Read below:

Eleven months ago I had a titanium alloy dental implant along with a sinus lift and bovine bone graft. The surgery was successful and the implant has since integrated with the bone. One to two months after the surgery I started having cramps in the lower extremities that progressed to constant aching in the feet and knees. Five months after the implant I elected to have the swine flu vaccination which resulted in a numb feeling and tingling in the extremities along with diarrhea and dizziness that subsided after a few days. Since then the tingling has combined with the aching in the lower extremities and progressed upward to include the thighs. Exercise makes all of the symptoms worse, as I experience severe aching and muscle twitching after any kind of physical activity. A MRI of the brain and neck revealed increased areas of signal in the brain not consistent with ms. Blood tests suggest autoimmune dysfunction (positive ana, antithyroid antibodies, high IgG for parvovirus and EBV and CMV without being conclusive of connective tissue or thyroid disease. A cone beam ct scan revealed an inflammatory process in the sinus above the implant and apical periodontal inflammation on the tooth behind the implant which was also giving me night fevers. I have since had the root canal retreated on the tooth that was being blamed for my mouth discomfort. This has resulted in a 100% improvement in the pain and feverish feeling emanating from THAT tooth, but I still have an strange irritating sensation emanating from the implant that extends to the cheek, nostril, and eye above the implant. I have a feeling the implant is the cause of the mouth trouble and wondering if it is the cause of my neurological symptoms as well. My physical activity has been reduced to a minimum compared to the level of physical activity previous to the surgery. I wonder if the implant does not show the typical symptoms of rejection because of nightly bronchial and nasal steroid inhalations. The implant looks good on scans and xrays. I am not so good. I am living a life of an inactive person because I have no tolerance for exercise. I love to exercise and my dogs need a walk!!! Today I went for a lower back MRI and had a hard time holding still because of feeling crampy and cold.

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Remember, you had none of these problems before the implants.

I have the same problems and unless we remove this poison (titanium implants) from our body there isn't going to be any solution. And even after removal there is no way of knowing of the damage already done to our health!

What are your long term plans?

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 31, 2010

Hi. I have not had mine removed yet, so I don't know what happens. It sure would be nice if there were a group of people responding to and supporting the thread of a person who got better after implant material was removed.

I don't know where to find this information, and that is the reason I have not been so quick to remove the implant. If there were a group of people who got better after removing their implants and this was common knowledge, it would be an easy decision for us all and it wouldn't be hard to find a doc to do it. I don't know if the ADA or implant manufacturers would be interested in doing studies on this, though. This is because then they would have to admit the implants cause problems for some people. There is no incentive for them to gather data on this. So here we are, gathering opinions and doing the best we can for ourselves.

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 31, 2010

Hi, Bertin (& all):

Looking back, I may have had a start on the arthritic symptoms (neck and back pain and a little numbness in left thumb and forefinger) prior to the implant, but nothing like it has been since the implant. Much of the aching muscles and twitching went away after I stopped with the Doxycycline, which in the beginning was helpful for the trouble in the tooth behind the implant. I am told Doxycycline acts as a fertilizer for yeast and fungus. I also tested a weak positive at least two times for Crest Syndrome (a form of Scleroderma) while on the Doxycycline, and this since has gone away after stopping with the Doxy. Anti-thyroid antibodies are also much lower since stopping with the antibiotic. I never had the symptoms of C.S., so the docs didn't know what to do about it. If you read on the arthritis website I referred to earlier you will find that those rheumatologists think systemic fungal or yeast problems can contribute to the development of rheumatological disease, including Scleroderma.

The aching in the feet and knees has been greatly reduced by taking Celebrex and Advil, and a neurologist has told me he thinks my symptoms are caused by arthritis. I do still have some tingling and numbness but this can also be caused by arthritis of the neck, and has also been greatly reduced by stopping with the Doxycycline.

I am being thorough and cautious before removing the implant, and at this point the evidence is telling me the symptoms near the implant are greatly diminished with the use of antifungals. This tells me that removing the implants could leave me in the same boat, and I plan on being in another boat. My long term plans are to get the cause and cure for my symptoms nailed down more closely before going through with any surgery.

It is my hope that my story can help others to figure out the cause as well as find a cure for their troubles. I will keep you all posted with what information I learn.

Have a good night.:)

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 31, 2010

Hi.

Another reason I am slow to remove the implant is that two allergy tests (both dental patch series + Melisa test) did not conclusively determine a definite allergy to any of the metals in my implant. Had they been more definite, it would have been an easy decision to have it out already!

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[curedsoon](#) Nov 01, 2010

To put it more simply, my long term plan is to be healthy. I have no need to be "right" or to prove any certain theory. Sometimes goals are achieved in ways unexpected. To exclude information because it does not support an original theory could be counterproductive to the goal of feeling good and figuring this out.

Wishing good health and healing to all!

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[Serbin](#) Nov 01, 2010

Hi Bertin,

How are you doing? YOU are in Jersey. I am in Pennsylvania.  
Where in Jersey are you? Is your tooth a front or back one?

I am scheduled for November 16 to have my implant removed. The surgeon did say that since it is in front and is sooooo very close to the other tooth we will have to be careful since you are correct bone is being removed. He said if I was to have a problem with other tooth, it would not be right away. If anything it might show later that I would need a root canal in the adjacent tooth and there is always a very slim chance I could lose the tooth.

He is very up front to tell me the facts. He also said that some people DO get better and SOME DO NOT. I only wish I would have gotten it out sooner. I have had it for 13 months now. Seems the longer we have them in the worse we get.

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 01, 2010

cured soon, a couple of words for you first. When you had all those initial muscle problems and all other symptoms after the implants there was a reason for them. It was the TOXIC IONS coming of the Titanium Implants and your body defenses fighting back. As a reminder to you there are several studies on the subject of Titanium Toxicity and troubling side effects to it.

One study of salient importance is the one by Dr. Vincent Mercola of Mercola.com as I mentioned in one of my posts.

The study concludes that Titanium Implants are Toxic because "titanium" is NOT a bio-compatible substance as charlatan dentists would like us to believe, and "titanium" releases metal ions 24-hour per day causing all kinds of autoimmune diseases.

In fact for the past 4 or more years many Doctors, even in Europe, are using ceramic/metal free implants which are as strong as the titanium and apparently without any side effects.

Why they haven't caught up here, I don't know. However, there are many USA dentists here in the USA who have justly given up on the dangerous titanium scheme/scam.

Check this:

<http://www.articles.mercola.com/sites/articles/archive/2009/08/08/Be-VER...>

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SERBIN, now your questions:

I don't live in New Jersey. I live in NYC. The fact that I mention NJ is that I had to find a Doctor in NJ in order to have my blood drawn because the Melisa laboratory in Port Amboy, NJ would not accept an order from a NYS Doctor. They claim that the State of New York has not yet approved their clinic. I believe that there is a different problem and has nothing to do with any approval as I'm paying the test myself and not the State of NY. Having said this, I'm just about 10-15 minutes from NJ. Just cross the bridge and that's it. I don't like to pay the \$8 toll when I come back but I have to do it.

I called the laboratory and they said that the test is already done and I'm waiting for the NJ Doctors to call me to see what the Melisa test shows.

However, even without the Melisa test I know that all problems are caused by these implants.

Yes Serbin, I have 5 implants and they are all in the front upper. I could have saved one tooth or two by way of root canal but as I was having implants I felt that it would be successful and I find no need to save it.

Had I known of all this mess and misery, I would have had the root canal on one or two teeth and asked for a removable parcel.



Better yet had I been warned about the toxic side effects of the titanium and the possible alternatives to titanium I would have opted for the ceramic/metal free zirconia.

Now, I'm going to find myself in a very bad shape.

I will have to go through the removal of all these implants and the bone, as I said, which means more pain and starting all over again at some other time. In the meantime I would have to wear a removable partial.

You and curedsoon are in a better position as you only have one implant each. I have 5.

And you are 100% right: "The sooner we get these implants out the better".

Keep in touch.

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 02, 2010

It looks like that the more we look the more it gets frightening:

Quote:

Titanium (Ti) hypersensitivity is not commonly recognized as possible by many doctors and dentists. This is because they believe that titanium is "inert", i.e. not chemically reactive. This is true in its natural form, as it occurs in the ground. However, after titanium has been processed, for example to make an implant, it is no longer inert. Through corrosion, titanium implants will release titanium ions, which can trigger hypersensitivity. Titanium is difficult to dissolve; therefore, different titanium salts are used for testing for hypersensitivity. (Refer to titanium calcium or titanium dioxide for more information).

Titanium calcium (CaTi) is also referred to as calcium titanate, another type of titanium salt used for testing of allergy to titanium implants and compounds. In hip replacement surgery, calcium titanate can assist in the integration of bone implants.

Titanium dioxide (TiO<sub>2</sub>) is used as a whitening agent in cosmetics, toothpaste, sunscreen, paint, plastic carrier bags, jewelry, and dental implants. It can also be used as a colorant in dental cements, composites and root fillings. Titanium dioxide can also be also found in candy and foods (coloring agent E171).

Vanadium (V) is found in titanium implants. A common dental implant alloy is made of 90% titanium, 6% aluminium, and 4% vanadium. Vanadium is mixed with other metals to make very strong and durable alloys that are used in construction materials (mostly steel), tools, springs, and jet engines. Vanadium pentoxide (V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>) is used as a catalyst, dye, and color-fixative.

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And check this other too: [articles.mercola.com/.../Be-VERY-Careful-When-Replacing-Missing-Teeth.aspx](http://articles.mercola.com/.../Be-VERY-Careful-When-Replacing-Missing-Teeth.aspx) -

Just Copy and Paste in a browser and read.

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[KFB818](#) Nov 02, 2010

Bertin76--Thanks for the "Be very careful when replacing missing teeth" article. It supports the Swedish study about titanium that I posted. In the Swedish article, it says that the main source of titanium ions is titanium implants in the teeth or in the body. And that three things cause the titanium ions to form:

--Galvanic release of titanium ions by other metals (mainly dental gold or amalgam interacting with the titanium)

--Oxidative release of titanium ions by fluorides

--Uptake of titanium dioxide from the digestive tract (titanium dioxide in drug/candy coatings, gum, toothpaste, etc).

This Swedish doctor says the safest procedure (rather than remove the implant) is to remove all gold and all amalgam, and replace with zirconia (best solution) or ceramic, or with composite material that does not contain titanium dioxide. He says he advises titanium and amalgam patients to remove all metal jewelry.

Replacing crowns and amalgams is a major effort, but have any of you tried the easy stuff: removing all your metal jewelry, replacing products (toothpaste, gum, candy, etc) with products not containing titanium dioxide, not using fluoride rinses?

I think it's helped me, and would be curious to hear if this improved any of your discomfort.

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 02, 2010

KFB818, after my initial shock with all the side effects, and you know the long list of them, I really didn't know what the hell was causing them. Never thought about the Titanium implants because the Dentists/Surgeons have assured me that I had nothing to worry about them. I came to the conclusion that it was something else like side effects from different medications I'm taking, some for my bad back, or inflammation of my bile ducts. My mind went all over because I was feeling really bad and my general practitioner who is also a specialist in Gastroenterology made all the tests you can possibly imagine, sent me out for MRI, blood tests, you name it and told me he couldn't find any medical reason why I was still feeling sick.

In fact I never improved much although psychologically I feel better now but that's it.

As the months went by I had other strong attacks, chills, muscle spasm, thyroid pain, really bad, and stiffness all over, including my chest and had to be taken to the emergency room of a local hospital.

There they took dozens of tests, including more MRI all over my body. Nothing medically relevant!!!

I went to South Carolina for a while and after a few days I felt like my body was coming apart, really bad. I was taken to a Hospital 20 miles away. Went through MRI, blood tests, all kinds of tests and was given an injection of delaudid (spelling?)

The Doctors after many hours told me I had nothing to worry about and gave me another pain medication for a week.

Then when I mentioned that I had gone through Titanium dental implants they woke up and said that that may be the cause and that I should check it out.

I've been suffering for a year and that's why I decided to come online and seek help from people like you, curedsoon, Serbin and all the others.

And I got started with knowing about the Melisa tests and now finally I did it and soon I will know what it will show about the Titanium toxicity. Somebody else, not the Melisa people, did the Titanium patch tests and he said

that I wasn't allergic to the material in my implants but this patch tests has been found to be unreliable. So I waiting to see if and what this blood tests by the NJ laboratory will reveal.

Now you come up with something else that I should consider. Yes I do have some old gold in my other teeth and, as you say, there may be a connection between the Titanium and the gold.

You claim that some Doctor told you that instead of removing the implants it's better to remove the gold. We have to investigate these new findings. That is we got to get to work and see if there is validity to what this Doctor is telling you.

But what about the study which discovered that the Titanium by itself is toxic and releases toxic ions 24 hour-a day? If we remove the gold we will have the titanium which according the Dr. Mercola is toxic!

We need more time to figure out what to do. Many thanks for this new information and keep investigating.

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[KFB818](#) Nov 02, 2010

We could use a chemist in this group, couldn't we?

In the "Be very careful when replacing missing teeth" article that you posted, there was a comment about the person replacing their crowns with gold ones, only to realize that that made matters worse.

I do think the whole interaction of other metals with titanium plays into the picture, and kind of accounts for why some people get their titanium implants removed and some feel better and others don't. For the ones that don't feel better, maybe they are using a lot of products that contain titanium dioxide, and that is what still causes them problems.

In my case, I don't have titanium implants/crowns, so titanium dioxide is what is causing my problems. I am trying to eliminate products that have titanium dioxide, but it's pretty difficult because it is everywhere. The alternative, according to the Swedish study--replacing all dental gold and all amalgam--is a huge and expensive effort, so I first want to see if I can get some relief from removing all jewelry, and reducing the titanium dioxide as much as possible. I also want to see the results of the Melisa test. I would replace the gold crowns, before replacing all my fillings.

Also, right now zirconia is being pushed for crowns, but who knows (once many people start getting them) if they too will cause problems.

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 02, 2010

KFB818, you have good ideas but it's much easier for you to eliminate certain products, like tooth paste and medications or candies etc. etc. containing titanium but I only have a partial benefit from doing this although I will.

Any benefits I can get by eliminating certain products which contribute to my problems it's a plus. However, studies are studies and side effects and toxicity from titanium are real and the consequences are more disturbing: cancer, Alzheimer disease and who knows what else as long term problems.

I wait and see but I believe that it's best for me to have the all thing removed and forget this ordeal. Let's keep the conversation going hoping to find a common solution.

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 03, 2010

I just came back and saw your post Serbin. No, you're not making it up, same as I'm making it up, same as thousands are not making it up. I don't have time for making up stories.

These Titanium implants are a poison and our bodies are reacting to this foreign and toxic material. That's all what's happening. As you all know there are studies by researchers in this field who have already identified titanium as a toxic substance which triggers all kinds of autoimmune diseases including, as I mentioned, cancer and Alzheimer disease. I'm waiting for the results of the Melisa blood test, not because I need to know that this titanium is the cause of all my problems, but only and only because without this tests my Dentist/Surgeons will not remove the implants!!!

Even though I told them that I would sue them in Court and I will report them to the Office of Professional Discipline.

These scam artists will not get away with it. I'll go along for now and then I'll put their names all over the internet and whatever other I can do so other people don't become victims of these crooks.

I hope that everything will go well during the operation and take pain medication for a few days. When you feel better let us know of any improvement in your health. Hopefully, very soon they' will remove my implants.

Good luck. Wish you well.

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[curedsoon](#) Nov 03, 2010

I hope you find out more info. from the Melisa test than I did. I was not able to stop using inhaled steroids for 5 days prior to having blood drawn, so maybe the results were skewed by that. I had to find the test online myself and order the kit and take it to a lab to have blood drawn. It cost me around \$400 (they fed-exd it to a lab in Switzerland), and according to the perio. doc the titanium I reacted to had nothing to do with the kind in the implant. I called Melisa--Lana Foree and asked why this titanium is on the test if it is not the same as the implant material. I never got an answer. It sounds like you are all spending less money than I did. I did it for my own information and every doc. (including my allergist) said it was not a reliable test. So I lost \$400--a drop in the bucket--I have maxd out my dental ins. for the year (most of this on testing), and spent lots of time and money in doc offices.

So far the only relief of dental pain has been from a homeopathic m.d.--an outsider, if you will, as far as the medical establishment is concerned. The advice you got from the docs when you were hospitalized is something I have not ever encountered in this unpleasant odyssey. Not one of them want to implicate "one of the brethren," even a lowly dentist, in inducing sickness. It is impressive to me you at least got some validation from someone in conventional medicine.

There is a series of video material on youtube from 1990 where 60 Minutes did a segment on the toxicity of

amalgam fillings. I think the dentists who wanted to admit the mercury used in amalgam filling material was bad news in an overt way were pretty much shunned by their peers. To this day, is the ADA admitting they were or are using something toxic? What is the official position on amalgam fillings? I would imagine something that serves their own social and economic agenda. A fraternity that serves its' own members, that is for sure.

Growing up, my old man had a saying, "the M.D. or D.D.S. is a license to steal." His big issue was how much money they would charge for services. I always thought Dad was a grump. Stealing is the least of their offenses!

We need to be strong and think for ourselves. I long for the day we are all talking about how we have recovered from this and when we can post some info. that will help someone else along the way to recovery.

Serbin, you are still set for removal on the 16th? I will be thinking good thought for you!

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[curedsoon](#) Nov 04, 2010

The video on Youtube produced in 1990 by 60 Minutes about amalgam fillings is titled "Is there poison in your mouth?" How long will it take to do a show on dental implants?

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 04, 2010

I'm sorry that you had to send your blood sample to Switzerland and pay \$400 for it when the only thing you had to do was tom send the blood to NJ and pay \$75 . I guess when you did it there weren't laboratories in the USA for this tests because even today there are only two accredited Melisa laboratories ,one in NJ and the other in WI.

It's possible that only the NJ laboratory is charging \$75 for a limited time and that they will jack the price up and charge much more as is printed in their own brochure. However, it's still \$75 as of now.

Tomorrow finally the NJ Doctor will tell me the results of the Melisa tests. Today his office called me to come over as they received the tests from the laboratory and he was going explain them to me.

Now, as you mention again about the inhaled steroids it comes to my mind that I took some of it while visiting another allergists in NYC. It was just a one-time thing in her office and about a week later when I found out about this NJ laboratory in NJ and found a NJ Doctor I had my blood drawn I wonder if there was enough time lapse between the asthma medication and the blood test.

Continuing the saga I have to add that every time I went to see an allergist for the purpose of determining the cause of this titanium problems the all switched to checking all other allergies which had nothing to do with my initial appointments and visits with them. Each time I mentioned titanium tests or titanium allergy/toxicity they looked like zombies/lost as if they had never heard of this titanium.

Another crooked Doctor yesterday wanted rip me off of more money. This is an allergist here in NYC. I had

called his office to see if they dealt with Titanium patches and titanium tests in general. The answer was yes. When I got there, the Doctor didn't care anything about my Titanium or any allergy related to it. He said that he was going to take care of my asthma. I don't really have any need for that because my real problem is this dental implant and not allergies to other stuff. I have already had similar tests in the past years and recently by another allergist with negative results. I'm not allergic to any allergen. But that's not what I wanted to know. I wanted to know about this Titanium in my dental implants. They all have short answers: "If you don't feel good with these implants tell your dentists to remove them, or why don't you have them removed?". So simple for them.

This particular allergist yesterday asked me for my deductible. When I asked the secretary how much they are going to get from the insurance she answered that the insurance had already paid their portion. When asked for the amount that they had received she says about \$475 for a 15-20 minute visit. You know they make you inhale from a tube and place some liquids to see if they provoke an allergy on your arm or back. I told her that they made me go there under false pretenses and never got any Titanium tests because the Doctor not only doesn't do these tests but has no clue about them and I that they got paid enough already. For me the case is closed for the Doctor. They're all blood suckers as you also seem to validate what I'm saying.

The fact is that I know that these implants are causing my problems but my Dentist wants a proof that this titanium is causing allergy in order to remove them. Can you believe this? However, that's what this stupid Dentists at a major NYC hospital want!

I sent him/them all the information they need to know to form an opinion, like the Melisa Foundation tests and the researches about the Titanium toxicity and the other Dentists using other non-metal, non-toxic materials but nothing convinces him/them. They could go online and check all this out by himself/themselves (it's more than one Dentist involved here) but they don't do it or if they do they don't say anything.

You're right, they don't want to admit that they're ruining the lives of too many people.

As you know this is a billion dollar industry. They don't want nobody to rock the boat! However, these crooks should be ashamed of themselves. They go around showing off of their wealth with fancy cars and beautiful homes while causing pain and suffering and this applies to the Doctors. They are ripping off people and the government with easy come money and exorbitant charges for minor check ups which amounts to a few minutes of "work".

I'll keep you informed on the results of this test by tomorrow night when I will return from NJ. Well, bye,bye for now.

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[Serbin](#) Nov 05, 2010

My surgeon will remove your implant. He is with the university of pennsylvania. Address further up in the thread. He has seen and done this before. But makes it perfectly clear, that some get better and some don't.

I have had the same run around with the allergist that you had. They all said exactly what you said. "well just take it out". Most docs are waiting to hear about my results, so they can learn.....do I look like a teaching school??? ha,ha. I guess we all are the teachers now.

Oct 16th it is.

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[Serbin](#) Nov 05, 2010

I paid \$375 for my melissa test, that had to be sent to Canada.  
Had the full dental metal test.

Came back slight allergy to a titanium. But then the docs also told me,  
oh no, that is not the same titanium that is used in your mouth. Say What????!!!!!!  
and the saga continues.....

So money spent and still not sure what is going on.

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 05, 2010

Well, I finally went to see the Doctors in NJ. He had received the Melisa tests results. He told me that the only thing that he could do was give me a copy of the results and go to the Dentist to have them evaluated!

This is crazy!!!!

The Metal tests, 14 of them, reveal an "outside reference range" for Titanium (Ti) 3.1  
reference range is from 0.0 to 3.0, so there is a 1 point over. However, if I didn't have these dental implants it would be 0.0. This is not all I have also an abnormal reading on the Nickel (NI) of 3.2.

I don't know what the Nickel is in my mouth!!!

I conclude that both metals are in sufficient amount to cause whatever I'm experiencing and that's enough testing for me. I want to add that as of the other metal, the Titanium dioxide (TiO<sub>2</sub>) it shows a reading of 1.8.  
Serbin how much will your Doctor charge for removal? More or less because I think there is more work on what has to be done on me.

What I'll do now is wait until Monday and call the laboratory to see if they can interpret the test for me or who will do it. I want to know if the amount of all three metal is too toxic or what amount is toxic. Dr, Mercola claims that any amount is toxic so there is only one way to get rid of it/them. I'll remove them one way or another.

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[curedsoon](#) Nov 05, 2010

Another idea I have had is to take your implant/s to a metallurgical lab and have them analyzed for the content once you have them removed. Maybe they could cut the implant in half (so you have proof), and then have the other half melted down and analyzed. I am not a lawyer or a scientist, so I don't know the feasibility of this. It is just a thought I have had.

I suppose being treated like some kind of "wack job hypochondriac" has induced a little paranoia in that the thought has occurred to me that titanium is expensive and so.....what if there were another less desirable metal substituted for it, or what if the percentage of aluminum was much higher than the small percentage specified? A more troubling question is why is anyone putting aluminum so close to our brains? Isn't aluminum implicated in Alzheimer's?

Serbin, I had the same results from my Melisa Test. Can anyone tell you why they are testing for the titanium in food and make-up when you want to know if you have a problem with the titanium implant in your mouth? I don't know--is there a cross-reaction? As I stated in a previous post, Melisa did not answer that question for me.

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[curedsoon](#) Nov 06, 2010

A less sinister thought would be an allergy that does or has not manifested on the skin or blood tests. The manufacturer of my implant will provide a sample of your specific implant materials impregnated in a skin patch. I had asked my allergist to order it months ago, and then reminded the nurse, but they never got it done and I got tired of asking. I would have ordered it myself, but it needs to be ordered by a healthcare practitioner. I may ask the homeopathic m.d. to order it and see what happens.

I know my thoughts are all over the place, but so are the symptoms. Maybe this will help one of you.

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[Serbin](#) Nov 06, 2010

Hi Curedsoon,

Good question about Melisa and the titanium test. I don't know why they say test for one form, dental, titanium and then docs say oh, that is a different type.

I had my test done about 8 weeks after the implant. It would be interesting to see if a test done now would show any difference. Would redo it if it was easier and cheaper to do. Just for the sake of science and seeing if there was a difference.

Hi Bertin,

I do not know the cost of the removal. I am sure I exhausted all my dental coverage for the year. I think this may fall under my medical health insurance plan for surgery. Whatever it is, I will get all the facts and send you all the financial information on this site, so that everyone else will also have the info.

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 07, 2010

Hi, i was figuring out what to do and I had to take care of other businesses, so I'm answering now. Curedsoon, removing the implants to have them analyzed as you say it's not easy. The Dentists I'm dealing with are not going to do anything until they see a letter from some allergist saying that I'm allergic to the Titanium (Ti). On Monday I will call the Melisa laboratory in NJ to ask them the meaning of all those numbers on the tests (ranges). I want them to tell me or that stupid NJ Doctor if the amount of Titanium (Ti) and the other Titanium Dioxide and also the Nickel is sufficient enough for them to cause all these problems, allergies, etc.etc. And I want a document from them so I can show to the Dentists in NYC. As far as I know the study by Dr. Mercola (Mercola.com) has determined positively that any amount of Titanium (Ti) is toxic and those who had it removed improved very well.

Serbin, the fee for the Melisa test now is only \$75. The address is somewhere above in this thread but I can re-post it again. They will test you 14 metals including the Titanium (Ti) which is in the implants and the other, the Titanium Dioxide, then also the Nickel and all the others.

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[curedsoon](#) Nov 07, 2010

I was able to find three options for removal of my implant, but am not sure I will use any of them if and when I decide to remove it. One of the oral surgeons I consulted with said he would remove it per my request, but then another doc figured I had an infection in the tooth next to the implant and so we had to deal with that. He is the one who said he has removed "a few" osseointegrated implants in his 30+ years as an oral surgeon. When I asked him the reason for removal, he said "psychological reasons." The periodontist who installed the implant said he would remove it and I almost had him do it, but when I showed for the appointment he had spent the morning drafting a long list of acknowledgements for me to initial and waive with all the risks of the procedure outlined, including a fracture of the bone. He really did not want me to remove it, as I think he honestly believes the implant has nothing to do with any of my physical symptoms.

I think it would be best to find a doc who removes osseointegrated implants on a regular basis. I did find an osteopath who is an oral surgeon, but he wanted to do more than just remove the implant, (as I mentioned in my Oct. 02 post) due to a theory called neuralgia induced cavitation osteonecrosis. This is the only kind of surgery he does I am told, but it sounded really extreme to me. He also wanted to put me on IV antibiotics for a few weeks after the surgery and I think look into the sinus for fungal balls. I think the theory he subscribes to is controversial and no other doc has suggested such drastic measures even if I were to get the implant removed. On the other hand, I am told people fly in from Europe to get this surgery from him.

Serbin, is your surgeon removing these implants on a regular basis? I hope so, and I hope he does an excellent job and you will be free of an metal debris to the surrounding tissues. Keep us posted.

In looking back at old posts I notice brokenjaw has not posted for a while. I wonder how he is?

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[Serbin](#) Nov 08, 2010

Parts of your story sounded a lot like mine.....when I went to the periodontist that installed the implant and was all set to have him remove it....he did not want to take it out and sent me home with a long list of reasons that I too was to initial before he would take it out.

Now I am worried about getting this taken out.

Yes, my oral surgeon has taken these out before.

Yes he mentioned if any slivers would wonder off for this procedure, he does not go fishing around for them.

He said of course there is always a concern for infection, but he doesn't start medicines ahead of time, when we don't even know if they are needed. Why upset your system, he said if we don't have to.

He said there is a 50/50 chance I will feel better. Some do, some don't.

He also said after it was removed, I would definitely have at least peace of mind.

I asked if there would be nerve damage and he said no I would not have a drooping lip, etc. He goes no where near the facial nerves.

Since it is located in the front of my mouth, so close to my front tooth. The concern is that I may lose the other tooth or need a root canal at some point. They would be a lot happier if it was a tooth that was in the rear. Here the concern is lose of bone and appearance when it is removed. Although I do not have a Julia Roberts smile and my gums do not show when I smile. So that is good.

The surgeon sees no inflammation around the implant. He would feel better about the removal if at least he saw the body rejecting it a little. Do any of you have inflammation around your implant??

He spoke with my regular dentist and explained the way he would remove it. My guy felt comfortable with their discussion of the procedure.

Oh Well, that is all I have.....

My concern is "am I doing the right thing"????? I am not looking to make even more problems for myself.

Everyone have a good day.

Maryann 610-279-8499 if you want to reach me.

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[KFB818](#) Nov 08, 2010

I think the reason doctors are saying that what tested positive is not the same as what is in the implant is because what tested positive is the titanium dioxide (TiO<sub>2</sub>) in your body rather than the titanium implant (Ti or a Ti alloy) in your mouth. They are completely different, so even if you get the implant removed, if you are allergic to the TiO<sub>2</sub>, it would still give you problems.

TiO<sub>2</sub> is many products. In ingredients, you will see it listed as: Titanium Dioxide or CI 77891 or E171. The worse offenders seem to be the ones that get into your digestive tract (via drug/candy/vitamin coating, gum, toothpaste, etc) but even the Melisa site, on their titanium page (<http://www.melisa.org/titanium-allergy.php>) says that if you are allergic, avoid all exposure to TiO<sub>2</sub> (bar soap, cosmetics, sunscreen, hair coloring, etc). For any product that you use daily or regularly, look at the ingredients list--you will be shocked at how many products contain TiO<sub>2</sub>.

On the Melisa site, there are two URLs that provide info about the Melisa test; one is a sample report and the other explains how to interpret the test results.

Sample Melisa report: <https://melisadiagnostics.com/ti/melisa-usa/showcontent.html?content=sample%2dreport>

Interpreting the Melisa results: <https://melisadiagnostics.com/ti/melisa-usa/showcontent.html?content=interpreting>

Here are some products that don't contain TiO<sub>2</sub>:

Toothpaste: Tom's of Maine Fluoride-Free Antiplaque & Whitening (no TiO<sub>2</sub> or fluoride; fluoride also interacts with titanium; <http://www.tomsofmaine.com/home>); Colgate Max Fresh (no TiO<sub>2</sub>, but does have fluoride)

Bar soap: Neutrogena or Pears (transparent bar)

Cosmetics: Earth's Beauty uses no titanium dioxide (<http://www.earthsbeauty.com/>)

Hair color: Clairol Nice and Easy

If anyone can add to this list, that would be great. Removing all metal jewelry (particularly gold, but all metal) is also recommended, due to the galvanization that occurs when different metals interact together.

I am getting my Melisa test tomorrow.

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 08, 2010

I just got off of the phone with the Doctor at the Melisa laboratory in NJ. She explained me the results of the test, finally. She said that I'm minimally allergic to the Titanium (Ti) in my implants (3.1) ,up to 3.0 she said that it is tolerable and that I'm also minimally allergic to Nickel (3.2) .

She also added that it was up to me to decide if or not to be willing to deal with my current physical problems. If I can handle them with medication or not. But she cautioned that "these metals at any amount are not meant to be in our bodies" and she couldn't be specific when asked about long term debilitating possibilities of catching tumors and Alzheimer diseases.

Now, I have another problem to solve. Somehow in the last day or so while researching about the Titanium and its effect on other people it I found out that clips from gallbladder surgery maybe of nickel but mostly are Titanium. This is where my second problematic question comes in! Years ago I was tricked by a crooked

surgeon into a decision of removing my gallbladder even though he had taken x-rays and found nothing alarming. he gave me some belladonna to "calm" the pain and told to go home. So I did. In the meantime, a couple of days later I went to the ER of a nearby Hospital. They did all the tests and told me that my gallbladder was ok. Then another Doctors in the ER said: " If you have pain it's better to remove it. My own girlfriend it's doing to remove too ,he added!!!"

My problem was that I went to the wrong "Doctors". I should have gone to a gastroenterologist, a specialist and not to a Surgeon who makes money performing surgeries and should have avoided the ER.

The original surgeon who gave me the belladonna called me back the same week and told me that as I didn't need a gallbladder that it would be better off to remove it. As I was in pain I just caved in and got mt gallbladder removed. Needless to say that the original pain never really went away and I got more pain from the operation and the cutting of the bile duct to remove it. Nightmare. My problem was that I only had gastritis for taking aspirin-like medication without food or milk. Nothing to do with gallbladder.

Now, after this phone call to this Doctor from the Melisa laboratory, I found out that, according to what she said, the clips placed on the bile duct after the removal of the gallbladder maybe of Titanium. Looks like the more we look the more problems we find reading from all of you curedsoon and Serbin.

On a more pleasant note this Melisa Doctor told me that if I give her telephone number to my NYC dentist/surgeon she will recommend that my dental implants be removed. She also advised me to find out if my clips from the gallbladder surgery are of titanium and if so to have then removed. Not easy!

Now, thinking back I can come to an understanding of what all my doubts about the way I felt were real concerns, that strange things inside me were happening and the answer is in these metals. As the NJ Doctor just told me:" They're not meant to be there, in our bodies".

So we have to make major decisions here and I understand what your feelings are and if as Serbin says if we go ahead and remove the all thing will we do the right thing or not? My dentist said that the surgeon will have to remove all the bone to remove the Titanium implants and who knows what they will have to do if and when I decide to remove the gallbladder clips if its Titanium!

I'll keep you informed as things develop.

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 08, 2010

KFB818, glad to see you back. Where are you going to send the blood for the Melisa test?

Deal with the New Jersey Laboratory as they only charge you \$75 and ask for the "Implant Material tests" which includes the Titanium in the implants (Ti) the Nickel and 12 other tests, 14 in all.and make sure that you haven't taken any medication for asthma, cortisone etc. etc. as they will skew up the test with false negative result. Wish you well.

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 08, 2010

KFB818, I assume that your MD has already called the Melisa laboratory and asked for a Melisa kit. Only a Doctor, I think MD, can request it. If he /she has it then you maybe ready to go. Now, after taking your blood either the Doctor or one of his assistants,if any, will place it into, I believe , 5 tubes provided in the kit. The kit also comes with a prepaid return envelope,they sent two to me. After all the paperwork is done,your Doctor's name address etc. etc. then your name address, you close everything up and don't forget send a check for the amount of \$75 if it's the NJ laboratory and rush to the nearest FedEx office. Start making your research now for

a close FedEx office because most likely you will have to do it. The Doctor will not do it for you. Then wait and hope for the best.

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[KFB818](#) Nov 08, 2010

My doctor ordered the Melisa test from the NJ lab. Since I don't have a titanium implant, I'm getting the Metals test (which tests for TiO<sub>2</sub> plus other metals, including nickel, gold, etc and all amalgam materials), plus another test that does the titanium (Ti). All for \$75.

He works out of a hospital (has FedEx pickup at the hospital lab), and his head nurse says she will FedEx the kit to the NJ lab. I just need to put the check into the kit. For those of you who need to FedEx it yourself, be advised that you should take it to a manned FedEx center. You should not drop it into one of the Express FedEx dropboxes; most of those are outside, and the cold weather would not be good, and also, blood samples are not supposed to be placed into those dropboxes. Kinkos is now FedEx, so is a good place. The FedEx site is: <http://www.fedex.com/>.

I am starting to wonder about the intreaction of nickel with titanium, though I haven't seen any real talk about that. I think my troubles began around 2004 when I had a crown made of base metal (mostly nickel) put in. I don't know when titanium dioxide really started being placed into products, but I don't think it was everywhere for too long. Think about whitening toothpaste, which contains titanium dioxide. How long have whitening toothpastes been around? Or all these cosmetics and drug/candy/vitamin coatings, which use titanium dioxide to make colors "pop". How much before 2004 were they in use? Since that first crown, I've had two gold crowns put in, and I think they made my problems worst as I think back, but I don't think they were the original cause.

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[curedsoon](#) Nov 09, 2010

Today I asked my physician to request a patch of the implant material from the manufacturer, as I would like to be tested again to see if there is any sensitivity. The nurse was told I would have to talk to the periodontist who installed the implant and get a specific reference # relative to the implant that I have.

I have the materials list of what supposedly is in the implant. The nurse had a copy of it also. This came from the perio doc himself. Does anyone know why they would need a specific reference # for my implant? If it is a certain percentage of Al, Ti, and V, what else do they need to know? I feel as if I am being "watched."

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 10, 2010

curedsoon, I did the same patch test. Came up negative to any allergies. What they need is the same material uses for the initial implants. They tape all that on your back and leave there for two or three days then you go

back to the Doctor to see if they see anything unusual, red spots, etc. etc. If you're allergic there will be something.

The fact is this is a theory. It doesn't hold true in all cases.

There have been cases, like me, that didn't register any response after a patch test but was positively allergic after a Melisa test was done.

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[jerandi](#) Nov 10, 2010

The UCLA oral/max surgeon wants to refer me to the UCLA oral pathologist doctors. I guess that may be another waiting for approval from the insurance ... if he knows to go that route. The Dr. wants to see the oral pathologist's opinions about the mouth sores, etc. before he would consider taking the implants out. He said if the pathologists find no health reason why the sores, etc., he'd consider the removal of implants. He did mention there can be ALOT of bone loss around the implants and he's not sure what that would mean for the cleft palate - so I should take one thing at a time since it has been two years already - what's a couple of more months? So deflated and pondering what to do. I know they have to come out and I have been to doc/dentist/doc/dentist - each trying their own thing. So, if I go to the implant guy and have them removed - and he has a bridge ready for me - what do I do if half my face is messed up b/c bone loss/cleft issues? Something I'm pondering. 2 years is enough time to be patient while in pain...don't you think? By the way - the oral surgeon in my county called ahead and "had a chat" with the UCLA doc before I got there. I believe that is the true reason for the "delay."

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 11, 2010

It's been two years for me too. I believe that any person who has gone through Titanium (Ti) implants or has allergies to this metal. The fact is that most people just think that their illnesses are caused by something else. Many don't even give a thought about the Titanium implants.

Honestly, I cannot figure out why these implants have not been banned by the competent authorities after all these years of bad experience with them and the potential of more disastrous health issues as explained in my post.

These dentists could have used the metal free zirconia and ceramic. That's been done with great success by many Dentists/Surgeons and should be the standard for everyone else.

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[mike539](#) Nov 11, 2010

Hi guys,

I'm in the same boat. I've got one titanium implant and started having allergy symptoms recently after it. I'm going to send blood samples for Melisa metal allergy analysis.

I got the precise metal content of the implant from the manufacturer. The screw I have is commercially pure titanium but I also found out that often an metal abutment (+ its screw) is put on top of the implant screw. In addition to that the tooth's inside layer contains metal alloy. So there much more metals than just the titanium screw such as gold, platinum, iridium, palladium, silver, indium, rutenium and even small traces of tin(!).

Regarding techniques removing the implant, there's a interesting discussion on Osseonews.com:  
<http://www.osseonews.com/best-technique-for-removing-osseointegrated-implants/>

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 11, 2010

mike539,very good information. Yes, there is more than just the Titanium. For instance my Melisa blood test shows a substantial amount of Nickel in addition to the Titanium (Ti) which is within minimal range 3.1. Nickel 3.2.

Regardless, Dr. Elizabeth Valentine-Thon of the Melisa laboratory in Port Amboy, NJ , recommends the removal of the Titanium implants. Looks like it's easier said than done because according to the Dentist in charge of the Hospital where I had this procedure done, they will have to rip/crack/shave all my bone or whatever bone necessary for the removal of the implants. I have five of them so it's going to be a huge problem. In addition there is another consideration. Once and if the implants are removed there will be a need for a removable bridge. Not really nice! The bridge will be made of metal or will incorporate some metal and this metal will probably cause other immuno-aggravating response, if not the equivalent of the Titanium, it may be close to it, but there will be some side effect, some allergies from it.

We have to think about it,

I have no idea which material the laboratories are going to use. Perhaps gold would be acceptable but I'm not sure.

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 11, 2010

mike539, as you already have the Titanium implant(s) in your body there is no need to know the metal content. It's in your bloodstream already and the Melisa test will detect it. Choose the "Implant material" blood test. It's a 14 metal test which includes the Titanium (Ti),the Titanium Dioxide (TiO2),the Nickel and 11 more. Do not use any asthma inhaler or cortisone or immuno-suppressant medication at least a week prior to the blood test. As you know after the Dr. draws your blood it will have to be sent immediately to the laboratory, I guess to the South Amboy,NJ laboratory, by FedEx. So start looking for a nearby FedEx Store closest to your Doctor's office unless FedEx goes there to pick it up.

I hope that your Doctor has already called the Melisa laboratory at1-732-721-1234 and requested the kit for the blood test. It arrives with a prepaid FedEx envelope and small box to protect the tubes. You may need a five (5) tube of blood.

Don't forget to include a check for the amount of \$75. Good luck. Let us know of any other thought about this wide-spread dangerous scam which has caused pain and suffering to hundreds of thousands of people and keep in touch.

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[mike539](#) Nov 11, 2010

The Melisa's "implant material" test profile don't have all the metals my implant consists of, such as rutenium. Hence I will order a custom test profile. I already got the test kit.

I'm not fully convinced that the implant is the culprit for my symptoms but I wan't to investigate all possible causes.

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[curedsoon](#) Nov 11, 2010

Hello and welcome to this miserable little party. It sounds like you have a real special implant with all the different metals you mentioned.

Early when I started having symptoms I requested to know the content of the implant and was given a materials list from the periodontist who installed it. Did you get the materials list directly from the manufacterer, or did the healthcare provider give it to you? Right now I would like to get the specific sample from the manufacturer of what is in the implant and was told I needed to provide a reference # from the doc who installed it. I am just trying to figure a way to get this without dealing with the perodontist again, and don't feel the manufacturer needs this information.

It will be so good if any of us can recover and change the nature of this discussion in order to help others.

Thanks for sharing.

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 11, 2010

curedsoon, could you please write down your Melisa blood test range?. I need to know only the Titanium (Ti), the Titanium Dioxid(Ti02) and the Nickel ( NI) I believe that these metals are the major trouble-makers in all of us.

You or your Dentist/Doctor should have received this information. If your Doctor didn't give you a copy of it then you can call the Melisa laboratory ( Health Diagnostics) at the above number and request a copy for you to keep. Thanks.

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[mike539](#) Nov 11, 2010

I got the implant's reference identification from my medical reports which I requested from the dental clinic. Then manufacturer and dental technician gave me the material details. In my case it's the gold alloy which consists of these different metals. It's used in the inner layer of the tooth itself. The implant screw and the abutment are regular Ti or Ti alloy grade 5.

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[curedsoon](#) Nov 11, 2010

It sounds like you are really getting the run around. We can only hope the docs are collaborating for your benefit versus plotting to maintain the status quo.

There is a new hippocratic oath and that is "First, ADMIT no harm." So it will be hard to find a doc who will admit that a routine and lucrative procedure is the cause of your troubles. I have found it beneficial to investigate alternative healthcare providers and those outside of the mainstream for support. Of course, finances and insurance sometimes restrict what you can pursue.

Look up theories like cavitation surgery, and neuralgia induced cavitation osteonecrosis (NICO). Tim Bolen, a consumer advocate has some interesting information on NICO online. I think his website is the bolenreport. The above theories may or may not have anything to do with implant troubles, but it may be an avenue where you can get some help.

I am hopeful our perseverance will pay off and better days are ahead.

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[curedsoon](#) Nov 11, 2010

Thanks.

It sounds like I or my healthcare provider will have to contact the periodontist for this info. I just don't know why the manufacturer needs it or if they have the right to ask for it. I am thinking the ref# tells them who, when, and where. They have already made their money in the sale of the implant, and now they need to provide customer service.

My level of trust is not what it used be, and so I am hesitant to do what is asked without questions.

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[curedsoon](#) Nov 11, 2010



The melisa test results may have been screwed in my case, as I was not able to get along without inhaled steroids for even 2 nights. I was weakly positive for TiCa and TiO2, but not the TiCl, V or Al. I did not test for NI, as it is not supposed to be in the implant.

I was told by the periodontist that TiCa and TiO2 have nothing to do with the metals in the implant. I am sure NI would be a problem for me, but didn't bother to test for it as it is not supposed to be in the implant.

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[curedsoon](#) Nov 11, 2010

Hello, I have been looking back at your Nov. 8 post.

What I would want to know about my surgeon would be how many osseointegrated implants does he or she (I would look for a man with strong arms) remove on a regular basis? How many has he removed in the past year? What have been the complications for this kind of surgery?

The one surgeon I interviewed who was most practiced at this kind of thing wanted to remove not only the implant, but the tooth behind it and the bone surrounding this area and also where a wisdom tooth was removed years ago. I don't know if he so much believes the metal is a problem so much as an infective process that affects the entire body. As I said, he believes in the NICO theory and performs cavitation surgery. He is really extreme in his approach to getting rid of what he believes to be the problem. He has unique qualifications in that he is an oral surgeon, dentist, and doctor of osteopathy. He may be right, but I am just not ready for such extreme measures.

He pretty much has been ostracized by the dental establishment, but this does not necessarily make him a bad doc in my book. Read about Dr. Semmelweis, who in 1847 was first to figure handwashing as a way to prevent childbed fever in clinics. The medical establishment of the time was indifferent to his theory and thought he was crazy. When Louis Pasteur proved the germ theory in 1861, his theory was finally accepted by his contemporaries. How long did it take and how many people died because of the arrogance of the medical community? And we are not talking about the legal, political, and financial interests of the medical and dental establishments of today!

Keep us posted.

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[Bertin76](#) Nov 12, 2010

Sorry that you wasted your money for a blood test which most likely came back shewed. It wasn't your fault. The physician who ordered or drew your blood should have advised you to stay away temporarily from any asthma/steroid medication. My advice is to redo it because it is still \$75. I would order the "Implant Material test" and send it to the South Amboy, NJ laboratory.

You'll probably have a different reading this time around without the steroids and this will further help in your decision to remove the implants, wait awhile longer or live with it. The fact remains that Titanium, at any amount, is a toxic substance.

Dr. Elizabeth Valentine-Thon from the Melisa Laboratory told me very clearly: "Those metals are not meant to

be in our bodies". From what I see here and other threads we are going to end up worse than when we got started with these implants!

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[KFB818](#) Nov 12, 2010

I have read that Nickel can be in a titanium implant, and wasn't Nickel in the list of metals that is tested in the Implant Melisa panel? It sounds as though its a good idea to get a list from the manufacturer of the exact metals that are in an implant.

mike539--That was a great URL you posted (all doctors discussing implant removal). It sounds as though there are various approaches that these people use to remove an implant, some better than others. It definitely seems you want someone who has a lot of experience with doing an implant removal. Before getting an implant removed, it won't hurt to give a doctor the URL so they can get more educated. It was also interesting that in the postings, it came up again and again from the doctors about why people want to get an implant removed. Titanium allergy was never mentioned, and several felt it was a "mental" problem.

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[imaflyboy2](#) Jan 03, 2011

I had implant removed today by the original surgeon. He thought I was making a mistake but willingly removed it as that is what I wanted. He insisted there was no medical reason and that my symptoms were probably psychological. This offends me greatly as I am not prone to such things and did not decide for removal lightly. Now, even if I get better, it won't be because of the titanium, it will be because of my psychology. What he thinks does not matter to me, especially if I get better, except for what it shows about the medical "profession". I will keep ou posted on progress in 2 weeks or less.

Ken

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[Serbin](#) Jan 04, 2011

Yes, Ken,  
Other people have heard that it is all in their mind. No it isn't!!!

We know when we were all feeling good and then within one to two weeks we all felt something going on in our body. This many people, since the number keeps growing, are not all crazy.

Can't wait to hear how you progress. Keeping a positive thought and prayer for you.

Just having the pressure of deciding what to do off your shoulders is a very good feeling. First trying to decide what to do and secondly, trying to find the right someone to do it, is just so mentally exhausting. Nice to wake up in the morning and not have that decision heavily weighing on your mind. Welcome to a new day!!!

Maryann

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[Bertin76](#) Jan 07, 2011

Hi, finally after much suffering I had my five (5) Titanium implants removed this morning at Mt. Sinai Hospital in NYC same place,same people who got me in so much hell. I was told that it would be a very risky, dangerous procedure and that I should think about it and so on and on.

The fact is that it turned out to be a 10 minute job. Yes,indeed,ten minute job. It was like removing screws for a piece of wood! The only side effect to it is the pain I'm going through now as the Doctor who performed the removal, Dr. Gregory Chotkowski didn't numb me good enough in the area whet he cut through to reach the Titanium. When he sawed all back he could have given me some more lidocaine where the sutures are but did nothing even though for months I've been telling them how to effectively inject the numbing agent to obtain a full and effective nerve block.

I have to tell them,can you believe how stupid these so-called Doctors are?

The Doctor in Charge at that departement, Dr. John Pfail was a no show as usual and Dr. David Valauri who supervised the first implant procedure was seen doing other things but never came to see. However, I'm going to make a complaint with the "Joint Commission" which accredits Hospitals and departments/specialties within Hospitals. In addition I'm going to file a complain against all those incompetent people with the NYS Departement of Health.

I would like to know why they allow such dangerous/toxic materials -Titanium/Nickel- to be used to endanger the health of people who try to improve themselves instead they fall prey to charlatans when it's already well known,that there is plenty of conclusive evidence that Titanium and Nickel are Toxic substances with devastating consequences.

I'll wait a couple of years then I'll see if it's worth considering the non-metal implants.

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[curedsoon](#) Jan 12, 2011

It is a relief to know the removal procedure wasn't so traumatic for you. Are you feeling better yet?

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[curedsoon](#) Jan 12, 2011

The complaints you mention need to go to a higher level. The healthcare providers are performing procedures and using materials and drugs approved by the FDA or organizations such as the AMA and ADA. The doctors and dentists are being brainwashed by the "research" which is subsidized by the pharmaceutical industry and other powerful influences. People are becoming wise to these facts and thinking more critically about their healthcare choices. It is no wonder mainstream medicine is threatened by alternative healthcare providers who question the status quo.

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[Bertin76](#) Jan 13, 2011

In response to your question I have to say that I made the right decision and that almost all the side effects have stopped. I feel real good now.

It's only been a few days but the difference is dramatic. My major surprise was that the five (5) implants were removed in less than ten minutes with no bone damage or any inconvenience except for surgery to expose the first 1-2 millimeters of the implants. The implants came just right out by a small backward pressure. That was it. Lost two years for nothing ...but what can you do! Hope that you're doing well.

I don't see the other posters anymore. Who knows if they've decided against removal. Take care. Ray

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[imaflyboy2](#) Jan 17, 2011

It has been two weeks since removal of my dental implant. My report is not as good as I had hoped, but I have improved to about 50% of my normal self. The first 4 days were no change. The next 2 days I felt about 80% normal, then down to about 50%. Yesterday I felt better again. I am trying to be optimistic that more time will help. The problem is that my symptoms, mostly joint pain, has moved around and came and went ever since I got the implant.

I must stress to others trying to decide that for me removal was the right thing to do. It was and is the only way to try to get relief, or at the very least eliminate a potential cause for my problems.

It would be nice if others in this forum would describe more in detail their experience after removal. Thanks to all who have posted and I wish you well.

Ken

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[Bertin76](#) Jan 18, 2011

Ken, glad to hear from you. Looks like, except for Maryann, all the others are keeping quiet!!! Well, if you re-read my above posts you'll see the way I feel after the implant removal. I feel good now. That poison of Titanium and Nickel is out of my body and it shows the difference. But, I suffered for months. I knew that my physical problems were caused by the implants but the Doctors kept stalling, they didn't believe that Titanium could cause any negative, debilitating side effects. Maybe they didn't want to acknowledge it as there is plenty of evidence about the Titanium/Nickel toxicity and they should know about it. Finally, I got them removed but only after I proved with the blood test that I was allergic and after I sent them all the supporting evidence about Titanium allergy/toxicity. Basically, I told them that I had enough evidence of their "negligence" and that this procedure was a "dangerous scam". Now, after much suffering, and after more than a year and a half after I got started, I find myself at square one. I'm relieved though that that poison is no longer in me. As I understand you only had one and I had five removed. Ken, that was the problem. The Titanium and the Nickel in the Titanium was causing all those side effects, same is for you. What I will do is I will wait for a few months and then I'll explore the possibility of the metal-free Zirconia implants. The main thing now is that I feel good. I hope that you will keep improving to the your fullest satisfaction and just move on in life and be happy. We were all duped by greedy Doctors and there is nothing we can do other than put everything in the past. Hope that the others will show up for ,at least, say "hello, I'm fine now". It would be nice. Ken take care. Ray

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[KFB818](#) Jan 19, 2011

Well, it's been 3 weeks since I got 5 crowns removed (three gold, two mostly nickel), along with one titanium pin in one of the crowns. Next week, the temporary crowns will be replaced with solid zirconia crowns.

No dramatic improvement for me, though with yellow nail syndrome (YNS), the yellow nails, swollen limbs, and pleural effusions aren't really anything that can disappear quickly. I am monitoring the amount of fluid that is removed from the lung cavities. It seems to be slightly less each week (though there is still almost 2 liters each time). I will be content if this trend continues. Slow but steady is my new goal.

I still haven't recieved the results of the nail test that shows levels of titanium. The Swedish doctor who did the YNS study says that some people can take a year or so for YNS symptoms to go away, but that since I have removed both the titanium and the crowns, and have also eliminated titanium dioxide products, that it could be faster.

I read on the Internet (so who knows if this is true) that for every year that a person is exposed to a problematic metal, that it takes a month to "detox", so if a person had exposure for 12 years, it would take 12 months to "detox" once the metal is removed. I've had YNS since 2005; I would be happy if it would be gone in 5 months.

I'm hoping to get an appointment with a toxicology doctor to dicuss the titanium issues, and to find out if there are any chelation products that could help rid my body of the titanium ions.

Several of you have gotten your titanium implants removed. It sounds like two of you had almost immediate good results, one had promising results after two weeks (after a dissapointing first week), and one had a 50 percent improvement after two weeks. For this last one, 50 percent improvement is still a pretty good improvement, and as more time goes by, it could (and hopefully will) continue to improve.

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[Bertin76](#) Jan 19, 2011

You are going to feel better and better. There is no question about it. Just give some time and be patient and all will resolve very well. Like me, before I was desperate and now almost as a miracle I feel just fine. I understand that the residual from the poison which was implanted and now out of me is still not totally removed.

I don't really know what the Titanium has done to my health as a long term issue to be considered. What I know is that I have stopped my physical deterioration and I'm on my way to a good recovery and I should be glad for it.

It's remarkable of what the power of "unity" can do. We shared our opinions together and concluded that that the Titanium, the implants were the troublemakers and that they had to be removed from our bodies. The Internet is a marvel to be appreciated. I hope that the others are doing something about themselves. Some may still hesitate but I believe that it makes no more sense to hesitate. This poison, Titanium/Nickel has made my life miserable. I'm glad that we found a solution. All the other posters are encouraged to make up their minds and to finally go ahead and remove their implants. Until they do it they will never recover. They have to stop listening Doctors who tell them that there is nothing wrong with the Titanium/Nickel. It's a lie.

I'm so glad that I made the only rational decision there was to make. I wish also that I could reach thousands or hundreds of thousands to tell them not to have Titanium/Nickel dental implants done.

All my best and keep sharing your progress. One day, may take a few more weeks, you will be happy with yourself and project that happiness toward others.

Ray

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Jan 20, 2011

I had my titanium implant removed 2 days ago and I feel great! My symptoms seemed to be a little different from others so I will restate them. I had chronic sinusitis, lots of respiratory problems (bronchitis, pneumonia), mental and physical fatigue, hearing loss. Onset was gradual after I had the implant placed 4 years ago.

The extraction went smoothly, took about 15 minutes. The surgeon told me that ideally the implant is surrounded only by bone. In my case there was some granulated soft tissue where it had not healed completely. Apparently, this can cause symptoms. I noticed on the way home that I could breathe much easier, especially on the right side, which is the side the implant was on. Something else to note is that the implant was in my upper right jaw very close to the maxillary sinus and the ct scan showed that my sinusitis was limited to this sinus cavity. The next day I felt good when I woke up, not fatigued as usual. No more pressure in my head and a mental clarity I hadn't felt in a long time. Also, my hearing is a lot better. Today I am still feeling good. Almost back to my old self, but since it has been 4 years I don't remember exactly what that should feel like. I still have some congestion but it feels like a normal head cold that isn't too bad.

I hope everyone has the positive outcome I have had with the extraction.

Thank you so much to all the people who wrote about their experiences, it helped me make one of the best decisions I have ever made in getting that thing out of my head!

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[curedsoon](#) Jan 21, 2011

Hello all. I am still contemplating what to do about the implant because my symptoms seem to be affected by antibiotic and antifungal drugs, so there must be an infective component to what is bothering me. A tooth (with a root canal) next to the implant may need to be removed also. One theory that was postulated is Neuralgia Induced Cavitation Osteonecrosis (NICO), along with the theory that all root canals cause illness and disease. The remedy for NICO is cavitation surgery, and so I am scheduled for a consultation with an oral surgeon who has experience with cavitation surgery.

It is my understanding that bone around the implant and/or the root canaled tooth and previous site of a wisdom tooth may need to be removed.

Most dentists deny the existence of NICO, the theory that root canals cause disease, and that titanium implants would cause the symptoms you all have experienced. The American Dental Association still has the position that amalgam fillings are perfectly safe, even though they expose the public to mercury. Thank God for the doctors and dentists who have not lost the ability to think for themselves, and who value the wellness of their clients above their wallets! Doctors who make people well should be the ones who prosper.

Thank you all for your stories and I will keep you posted on what I find out.

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[curedsoon](#) Jan 22, 2011

Hello & thanks for sharing your experiences.

Are you all continuing to feel better?

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[Bertin76](#) Jan 23, 2011

Yes, the toxicity from the Titanium was what had been causing me all the suffering. My blood test showed that I was minimally allergic to Titanium and Nickel but it doesn't matter because even without allergy these metals are toxic to anyone.

I knew already even before taking the test that the implants were making me sick. Finally, I prevailed and had them removed. Now I feel good and hope to get back to where I was before the implants. My thyroid pain is almost gone but I want to know if my thyroid is damaged somewhat or with time it will totally heal. As for all the other symptoms while there has been a U-turn for the better I hope that they will totally disappear and that there will be no future problems as a consequence of being exposed to metal toxicity.

I hope that you will get rid of whatever Titanium implant you have. This is my sincere opinion.



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[Serbin](#) Jan 23, 2011

Hello

Are you the girl I spoke to in Jersey? Did you get Dr. Carassco to remove the implant?

So glad to hear you are doing well.

Nice to hear successful stories.

Maryann

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[curesoon](#) Jan 26, 2011

Thanks for telling me about the success you have had so far. It is fantastic that you are feeling so well already.

Are you going to be fitted with a partial denture for use until you decide if another type of implant is right for you? I have read about metal-free partials that look like they are flexible--I think the name starts with a V. Valplast?

I am going to have an extraction of the root canaled tooth Feb. 8th by a surgeon who regularly performs cavitation surgeries. A cavitation can result when a diseased tooth is simply extracted without also removing the periodontal ligament and the surrounding bone. This doc should be able to remove all of what is rotten around that tooth. At that time I will talk to him about getting the implant out at the same time or waiting to see what improvement happens after the one tooth is removed.

Congratulations on improving your health!

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[Bertin76](#) Jan 26, 2011

I already have a partial but I don't really like it. It's made out of plastic and the taste is bad. Yesterday a dentist told me that he can have one done made of out Vitallium, supposedly a non-toxic metal. I really would like to stay away from metals though but it will be for a short while so I may do it.

I hope that you find a way to get out of your problems. I think that eventually you will have to remove the titanium because this metal is really toxic even without causing major allergies, So, when you see those picture of models or real people all smiling with their dental implants don't believe that smile because soon or later they are going to be feeling sorry of their decision of going through this dangerous procedure. Take care.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Jan 27, 2011

Hi Mary Ann. Yes, we spoke on the phone. Thanks so much for sending me to your surgeon. He is top notch and I am so glad I didn't get a bone graft.

It has been 9 days since my extraction and I am still feeling great. I think I had really underestimated how crappy I had been feeling; kind of got used to it after 4 years I guess.

The thing that bothers me most about my situation is the fact that every doctor I have mentioned "mixing metals" to admits that the ionization that takes place is a potential problem. So why is it being done? The symptom that gave me the most grief was a constant fuzzy buzzing in my head, kind of like a charged battery, which is exactly what I was.

I will never get another dental implant of any kind, metal or anything else. Even if I didn't have a problem with the metals, it still would have wacked out my immune system simply because it was there and did not integrate 100%. I'd rather be completely toothless than go through this nightmare again.

Best wishes for a speedy return to good health to all!

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[Bertin76](#) Jan 27, 2011

hopefulinSJ. you got it right. That's better to be toothless than having to go through another painful experience! Tomorrow I'll see a dentist who might consider making a gold removable bridge. As I already have some gold inlays without any side effects. it's possible that this other one here will just "get along" with the other gold and not cause any problem.

But I can tell you...that I almost feel 100% my old self. What a difference! I wish that the doctors had warned me ahead of time of the possible side effects and toxicity of the implants. It would have saved me a lot of suffering. Wish you and all of you well.

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[KFB818](#) Jan 28, 2011

Two questions:

1. Do you think that it's worth people's time/money to get the Melissa test? The results don't really seem to correlate with whether people have problems with titanium.

2. Did anyone here who had implants removed get their insurance company to pay for some of it?

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[Bertin76](#) Jan 28, 2011

KFB818, glad to hear from you again. I came back from my dentist awhile ago and now I'm seeing your post. I believe that for your peace of mind and to know more about your body, what's good for you or what to stay away from, it's a good idea to go through the Melisa blood test. I think that they still have the bargain fee of \$75 for all the tests needed. The regular price is much, much higher.

If I were you I would do this tests. I did mine some time ago and it showed up that I was allergic to Titanium and Nickel. Both metals are toxic even without being allergic to them.

As for the payment to the Doctors in cases of removal of the implants I don't know how it works with the insurances. I guess that some insurances may cover then cost while other would not. What I did was that I showed the Doctors/Surgeons all the Hell I went through after the implants and their initial negligence of not having advised me of the possible health issues/side effects and toxicity of the Titanium and the Nickel in the Titanium.

I also told them that I might consider a lawsuit as I have enough evidence showing negligence and fraud. I added that I had in mind to contact and file a complaint with the Office of Professional Discipline.

I got them removed for free and I'm going to have the removable bridge for free too. You should do the same as I did because you don't deserve to waste more of your monies and that is the right thing to do for the Doctors: remove the implants without charge and possibly give you a free removable bridge made out of either gold or a material called Vitallium which apparently is non-toxic.

Watch out because most of the bridges are made out of Titanium and Nickel, the same materials which has caused us so much pain and suffering. If you need any other help let me know about it.

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[timthetoothman](#) Jan 28, 2011

Has anyone had a reaction to the beginning process of a dental implant like this?: my chin began itching & when I scratched it, I then broke out in hives on my back, which rapidly spread to my arms, trunk, legs, & I began wheezing & coughing. I have never had any reaction like this before, no hives or wheezing. Since then, 3 months ago, I went through several occurrences of hives, the wheezing continued in bouts a couple times a day or night, with uncontrollable coughing. My M.D. prescribed allergy med & cough med & I am now seeing an allergist for testing, so far nothing. My dentist tells me the original material used for the bone growth is inert, but all this began then. I get my crown next week & I feel like the coughing fits/wheezing is about over. But 3 months worth? Anyone heard of anything similar???

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Jan 28, 2011

I had my implant for 4 yrs before I realized it was causing my illness. I had terrible coughing and wheezing fits, to the point of gasping for air and sometimes vomiting. Had to sleep in an upright position sometimes or I couldn't breathe. Saw an allergist, pulmonologist, ENT as well as other drs but nothing helped. An ayurveda dr gave an herbal tea that helped the cough but my other symptoms didn't improve until I had the implant removed. I also had hives a handful of times that I am just now thinking may have been related. Since I was sick for 4 years, right after the implant, and I got better immediately after it was taken out, there is no doubt the implant was making me sick. Even though all the drs said the implant couldn't cause coughing, they were wrong.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Jan 28, 2011

The surgeon who placed my implant gave me an estimate of approx 2200 dollars to have it removed. I went to another surgeon who was MD as well as DDS and for that reason my medical insurance covered the extraction.

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[Bertin76](#) Jan 29, 2011

From what I understand you had bone graft and Titanium implants. After that you've experienced what you described. We all went through more or less what you're going through. It's not going to get any better. The implants are toxic. Unless you get rid of that poison, your body is going to keep fighting it off and things will get much worse than they are now.

Other reaction you may get is an inflamed thyroid, loss of weight, muscle loss, muscle pain, stomach/digestive problems and more. Read from post number one and get an idea. My advice, don't get the bridge cemented, think it over. Read what Dr. Joseph Mercola (mercola.com) has to say about Titanium implants and the Melisa Foundation too. Your symptoms are not going to go away.

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[curedsoon](#) Jan 30, 2011

I paid nearly \$400.00 to Melisa to be tested for the three metals in my implant: Titanium, Vanadium, & Aluminum. According to the periodontist who placed my implant, the titanium types (TiCa, TiO2, TiCl) I had weak positive reactions to have nothing to do with what is in the implant. When I contacted Melisa to ask why they are testing for reactions to types of Titanium not in the implant I got no response. I have no idea why the cost was so much more than the \$75.00 some of you paid. My allergist and the dental professionals were all very dismissive of the test results. For me it wasn't worth the money.

If you can show you were allergic to the implant material then the insurance should pay for the removal. I don't have any evidence of an allergy, and maybe have other dental issues contributing to ill health. I have been so busy trying to figure how to get my health back that I haven't been thinking about what it is going to cost. Having ill health costs you money because there is less energy for work or anything else.

I hope this helps.

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[curedsoon](#) Jan 30, 2011

There is Nickel in the Titanium? Don't the manufacturers of medical implants have to ensure a standard of quality of their product? I would think Titanium should be Titanium, unless they are allowed a certain level of impurity in their product.

Did you ask to keep your implants, or did they just go to the bio-hazard trash bin?

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[Bertin76](#) Jan 30, 2011

Hello Maryann, I found out that the Nickel is in the Titanium itself. In fact finally the Dentist admitted that I was actually allergic to the Nickel in the sense that the Nickel was more troublesome than the Titanium despite the fact that both are allergic and toxic.

So, when they say pure Titanium it doesn't mean 100% pure Titanium. But it really doesn't matter that much because Titanium should not be used at all with or without Nickel.

As for the Titanium implants taken out, the surgeon told his female assistant to keep them some place. I thought about it too at the time while they would keep them other than put them back on somebody else!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Got it? I don't have any communicable diseases but that's not what Doctors should do. In other words what happened to me it's nothing for them. They will continue the Toxic Titanium implants making more people miserable.

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[Bertin76](#) Jan 30, 2011

Maryann, I hadn't seen your post above your last one. When I called the Melisa Foundation in NJ the lady answering the phone told me that because they were re-organizing the laboratory they has a special fee for any of the tests.

Sorry that you had to pay \$400. But when your Doctor ordered the blood kit and it arrived and you went there to have the blood withdrawn, the Doctor should have checked the box which said "Implants Materials". It's about 12 tests. What they would have found out was the level of Titanium (Ti) and the Nickel (Ni) and other metals. The two major would have been the Titanium (Ti) and the Nickel (Ti). You got the wrong tests. The test you got have nothing much to do with the problems we have here with the allergy and toxicity.

You cannot really say that you have no allergy to Titanium and Nickel because you didn't get those tests done.

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[curesoon](#) Feb 02, 2011

Hi.

I couldn't get find a doc out here in the Wild West who is familiar with Melisa or who would give it any credence. When I ordered you had to pay so much for each metal being tested for so I elected to test for the three metals in the implant: Titanium, Vanadium, and Aluminum. The titanium is broken down into Calcium titanate I & II, Titanium dioxide I & II, and Titanium Trichloride I & II. The first two were the only ones I showed minimal (less than 2) reaction to, and those are the ones the dentist said were not similar to the titanium in the implant.

I am so glad you were able to get some relief, and hope I will have good news to report after my consultation & possible surgery next week. Are you still continuing to improve? I can't imagine having 5 implants! Were they all in the same area of your mouth?

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[curesoon](#) Feb 02, 2011

I did have a skin patch dental implant series, but that only showed a reaction to some kind of gold--goldsodiumthiosulfate. I remember that spot itching for days, but they tell me that doesn't have anything to do with the gold in the mouth.

Wow--paying \$75.00 for testing for 12 kinds of metals used in implants is such a better deal than I was offered by Melisa. It is good you didn't have to pay so much!

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[Bertin76](#) Feb 02, 2011

, as you cI was busy and didn't come to see if there was any post here as I see that most people have disappeared from the thread! Well, the fact that you were minimally allergic means nothing medically. What counts is that the allergy to those metals is a fact. However,even if there is no showing of any allergy, Titanium and Nickel (these are the most troublemakers) are toxic,period. They will make anybody sick. The fact is that the majority of people don't know what is making them sick, if the had the implants like we did. Now, if you want to know how high your level of Titanium (Ti) and the Nickel (Ti) present is in your blood then you will have to take another Melisa blood test, but the right one, not the one that the stupid Doctor ordered for you.

It's the "Implant Material Test". Still \$75 I think. If you don't have the address and phone number of the Melisa Laboratory I'll give to you.

As for me I'm still recuperating because I had the poison in me for too long but I can see the difference.

There is another problem,though, which, I think, will have to be addressed by the Dentists,and that's the bone graft which was done prior to the implants. I would like to remove the all thing because I have a feeling that

that's contributing to my ill health,not recuperating fast enough.

I'll talk to the dentist and see what he says, otherwise I just tell him to remove all that stuff which is not mine. I want to be as I was before the implants and that's it. Yes, all five implants were in the upper front and the dentist is in the process of making is very small, barely noticeable parcel...but I want to address this issue of the bone graft. I really want it removed. I know that I got taken by these beasts but it's too late now. I'm patching things up for now, so are you and everyone else. We got lied to and ripped off by these crooks in dentistry. MD's are no different. I went from an allergist to another and they all sucked the insurances. Let me know how you will solve your problem.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 02, 2011

Hi, this is the former "curedsoon". I needed to adopt a new name that would reflect feeling well now rather than soon.

Serbin, How long has it been since your removal procedure? How do you feel now?

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[smileynow](#) Feb 02, 2011

Hi. It sounds like you may be having symptoms not only due to the implant material, but what is around it. In all the docs and dentists I have seen only one (an oral surgeon and osteopath) was sure that I did have a major dental problem and that it most certainly was contributing to the systemic issues. He was 100% certain that I had Neuralgia Induced Cavitation Osteonecrosis (NICO). This can result when teeth are extracted without removing the periodontal membrane and the diseased bone around it. This results in a slow smoldering infection of the jaw that can travel to other areas in the body. Look up \*\*\*\*\* and the work of Dr. Bouquot and see if it makes sense to you.

The oral surgeon I will be seeing next week is one of the few that do the cavitation surgery which is a remedy for the condition. It may be the area around my implant had a cavitation before the implant was installed, so that in itself would be a reason to remove the implant, even without sensitivity to the titanium. We'll see.

Thanks for keeping me posted.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 02, 2011

Maxillo facial center, but all together.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 03, 2011

It has been a long time since you posted. How are you feeling?

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[KFB818](#) Feb 06, 2011

I finally got the results back from the Swedish doctor who was testing my fingernails to see if they contained titanium levels. I sent two for analysis. They both showed levels of titanium. My right hand index finger had a titanium level of 6.2 µg/g and my middle finger had 5.8 µg/g.

According to this doctor, people who have Yellow Nail Syndrome (YNS) always have some level of titanium in their system (the medium was 5.0 µg/g). Others do not, even if they have titanium implants/pins, etc. YNS symptoms are yellow nails, swollen limbs, respiratory (sinusitis / pleural effusions).

In my Melisa test, I tested positive for titanium (4.1) and titanium dioxide (3.5)--a low-level allergy.

I had a dental titanium pin removed, 5 gold crowns removed replaced by zirconia, and stopped intake of titanium dioxide.

So far, I still haven't seen my pleural effusions go down.... Maybe the statement that I read on the Internet that for every year of metal exposure, it takes one month to detox once the metal is removed will be the key. It's been one month since the pin/crown removal. I got the titanium pin in 1999, but didn't have problems until 2005 (maybe due to gold crowns being put in, causing galvanization). That could mean from 6 months to a year to detox (get better).

I would have liked a quick fix, but I'll take 6 months. Even a year would be OK if I saw improvement each month and could see the light at the end of the tunnel.

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[jerandi](#) Feb 09, 2011

I had my dental implants out in December. I was really getting better up until this week. I'm not sure what the heck happened there. Most of the sores were gone. Maybe 1 left and then this week, it seems like a complete relapse. I have a temporary - the dentist said I'll have that temporary for approx 8 months. The gum tissue over those implants were almost non-existent and the dentist said I'd need two more skin grafts. I wonder if it is the glue he uses ... even when the temp came out the first two times, I had still seen 90% improvement. Then he put the stronger glue - so my teeth don't fall out - but now I'm worse. Very disappointing because no one has any idea what is causing the mouth sores. UCLA thought it was an allergy of some sort and told me to remove whatever it is that is causing the allergy. I guess I can start with the temporary and ask him to use a different

glue. Then possibly either a) remove the rest of the silver in my mouth (not much) and b) take the gold root canal out - though I never had an issue with that. Sorry I hadn't written sooner. My home computer is out.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 10, 2011

I have been telling oral surgeons and dentists for months that I have an infection somewhere near the implant and on Monday traveled to Calwonderful to see a Dr. Robert Jarvis in Santa Rosa. He easily identified the infection on the affected tooth (next to the implant) and removed it the next day. He also took a sample of bone for a biopsy and sent it to UCLA. A toxic irritant has been removed from my system! He also cleaned out the area where a wisdom tooth once was and administered ozone to the area for disinfection. Perhaps I should send this report to all the others who thought I was having delusions of infection--as if it is pleasant to run around begging for antibiotics/antifungals. I wish I could regain all the time and money wasted visiting unhelpful docs--then I could spend a month in Hawaii for sure. It is true only a few graduate at the top of their class!

If dealing with the infection is not enough to regain my health and feel normal, then I will have to remove the implant and bone graft. We'll see.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 10, 2011

Oh, I feel sorry for you! Do they think it is an allergy or what?

I did meet someone who had a itchy skin rash all over his body for a year and was finally helped by a David Edwards in Reno, NV. He has a website if you want to look--I think the bio health center, but all together \*\*\*\*\*.

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[KFB818](#) Feb 10, 2011

Jerandi--Maybe the new glue contains titanium dioxide and the old glue didn't? Worth asking since that is the only variable that changed. If the glue is tooth-colored, it could be titanium dioxide that is giving it that color.

I've been think about the Penn MD/dentist (the one who helped at least 3 of you) who warned that only half of the people who get implants removed get better. I think that's really interesting because it shows there are other factors involved (for some people) than just removing the titanium.

If someone got titanium implants removed but still has titanium elsewhere in their body, that could be the reason

they don't get better or only get somewhat better. Or maybe they are still ingesting titanium dioxide. Or maybe the still-present titanium or titanium dioxide is interacting with dental gold/metal, causing titanium ions to form.

There are so many variables. I mentioned to the Swedish doctor (did the Yellow Nail Syndrome titanium study) that I was on a forum with people who were getting joint pain & tiredness from titanium implants, and he thought it sounded more like mercury poisoning (from silverish dental amalgams). Something else to ponder.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 11, 2011

Are you back to normal after the Dec. 15th removal of your implants? Your last post on Dec. 29th indicated you were happy with the way you were feeling. Are you back to where you were before the implants?

Thanks, -

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[Bertin76](#) Feb 11, 2011

There is something else which, I believe, will have to be addressed, and that is for all those who also had a bone graft. Now, the bone itself is a foreign substance and will cause different side effects. This was never explained to me. Actually, nothing was ever explained to me about what those Dentists were going to do and never mentioned any side effects at all.

Then there is another problem to consider: The dentists use a mesh to hold the bone together and this mesh is made out of Titanium and they leave there forever.

When I found out more about this process, I wrote an e-mail to the head of that department and received no answer. However, last week I was there and I was told that, "in my case", they didn't use any Titanium mesh. It appears that this is standard procedure and I don't know if I can believe these dentists after all the Hell I went through and all the lies they told me to keep me from finding out the truth about the toxicity of and allergy of the Titanium. So think about it.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 11, 2011

There is titanium mesh around the bone graft material? I have never heard of that before. UGGGGH! The doctor who removed my infected tooth did ask what kind of bone graft I had for the implant. I wish I would have asked him what material he uses and why. I told him bovine and he didn't say anything, which leads me to think for one reason or another he does not use it, and I would like to know why if that is the case.

It is nice to be minus a bad tooth and what was around it, but I still have the numbness and tingling in the arms and legs. If the problem is not solved by addressing the infection and the bone biopsy is normal, then I will have to look again at the implant which was placed about two months before symptoms started. I forgot to ask him

how many osseointegrated implants he has removed, but the person who answers his phone today told me he removes about one per month. I will have to ask him the reasons for implant removal when I see him next.

Did you read about dental cavitation surgery?

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[Bertin76](#) Feb 12, 2011

I didn't make any research about Dental Cavitation Surgery. I will see what it is. In reference to the bone graft I think that the Doctor didn't use it on you because you only had one implant so the area to be covered was very small. I believe that the Titanium mesh is used when you need more than one tooth replaced and in order to hold the bone firmly, the Doctors use the Titanium mesh.

Your case is different. From what I hear from you looks like you want to hold on to that Titanium implant! The fact is that, my opinion, unless you remove it your health may not improve. Both, the Titanium and the Nickel in it are toxic and even if they don't cause major allergies they are still toxic.

As of me I still feel some muscle pain and ill feeling but I have improved substantially. At the moment my main issue is the inflammation of my digestive system, starting from my throat, stomach and intestines caused by the dissolving metallic materials in the screws placed on top of the Titanium implants. They were exposed for about a year until removed about a month ago,

I'll wear a removable parcel until I make up my mind on the non-metal implants, but for now I have to concentrate on my health. The laboratory is making a new removable parcel made of a material called Titalium which, apparently, doesn't have any Titanium and Nickel. I hope that I'm not going to be allergic to it or that it will not cause similar problems as the Titanium implants.

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[jerandi](#) Feb 12, 2011

The skin graft issue is still there. It shrinks daily. I have to hope there is no mesh in there. I want to point out titanium dioxide is used as coloring for certain vitamins. The UCLA doctor said it is an allergy.... Whatever you put in the mouth, remove it. I did but the restoration process is slow due to severe bone loss over the removed implants. I have to start over AGAIN. I do not have any scheduled visits to deal with mouth sores.

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[Bertin76](#) Feb 12, 2011

You had your implants removed and now you have these allergies. It may very well be the glue you are using to hold the parcel. I think that any glue is toxic if introduced into the body anywhere.

I feel sorry for more than I feel sorry for myself. If could you have a removable bridge, even temporary, then it would be less troublesome but the way it is, with the failed implants, it's not easy. You're out of the money, all

this time involved in this procedure, bad health and no solution in sight.

You mention the titanium mesh. Well, if they covered a large area, I believe, that in order to contain the bone graft in place while waiting for the new bone to regrow, they might have used but it's for you now to investigate because. I don't know how this titanium mesh installation process works but it may be on the outside of the new bone just

Can you explain? What you have now "severe bone loss?" That's what you said?

Whose fault is all this ? The Dentists. When all is done with the removable parcel I see if I can sue them for fraud and negligence.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 13, 2011

You are right I would like to hold on to the implant if there is another cause for the symptoms, such as the infected tooth next to the implant. If the bone biopsy is negative then I will have to get the implant removed. At least I have found a competent oral surgeon who can spot an infection on a CT scan. So much trouble from something so innocuous as orthodontic work, which led to the loss of a tooth, which led to the implant, which led to an adjacent tooth becoming infected and requiring a retreat on a 25-yr. old root canal, which led to the extraction, ----and that is just the story of the mouth trouble. It is so much better if you can stay away from having anything done to you by a doctor or dentist. If the implant goes then I will be missing the upper molars on one side, but I have to be thankful it is not in the front and creating more of a cosmetic issue than it is already. Some of the other posters have not been so fortunate that way.

It is strange to have always taken excellent care of my teeth, and now all this trouble! All of you know what I am talking about, because you were only trying to improve your smiles and the function of your bite. You spent a lot of money and ended up with more trouble than you had in the first place. May the miracle of restored health be granted to all of us!

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[Bertin76](#) Feb 13, 2011

Thanks for your nice words. If you can tolerate the allergy symptoms then probably you can take a chance at keeping the implant. Dr. Mercola @ mercola.com. as I have mentioned in my early post, has concluded that the Titanium and the Nickel in it are toxic even without a positive reaction.

What really leave me open to say that this has to be true, it's the fact that all my adverse symptoms, reaction, more or less the same as those which you described in your first post, is that I started feeling all different, all miserable, experiencing all those unpleasant things, AFTER I had the implants.

However, I never imagined that it could have been the implants, Thyroid inflammation, shacking, muscle pain, horrible pain, loss of muscle mass, itching all over and itching and burning in my back and what I mentioned yesterday stomach, intestinal problems!!! I never felt that way at any time in my entire life... and symptoms which never seemed to go away, although lately became less severe than at the onset.

And the weird dreams on and on!

I wish that those Doctors had implanted the non-metal posts/screws, instead of using the evil Titanium which they should have known

that it is toxic even without causing an allergy.

When about ten days ago I saw the Head of the department and asked why he/they didn't use the non-metal implants, he answered that is too expensive. What silly an answer. In other words they would rather put a patient through so much pain and suffering and damage his/her health and risk a law suit and loss of reputation than do the right thing by spending a little more money!

His comment shows how stupid they are. This is sufficient evidence of voluntary malpractice. These Dentists feel that it's unlikely that patients make a connection between their feeling sick and the Titanium implants and keep seeking medical care/assistance without ever knowing that the Titanium implants is making them sick!

Now, leave the legal question aside and how they can MORALLY justify their practice, continuing to use Titanium, when, in fact, there are non-metal alternatives. Just to save money?

Well, if they had not lied to me from day one and told me about the very real negative potential of the Titanium and offered the non-metal implants, I certainly would have chosen the non-metal implants with a non-metal bridge. Now I would be fine, I think.

On another, but on topic note, I have to refer to your first and subsequent posts where you mention that there is also Titanium oxide (TiO<sub>2</sub>) in the tooth paste and Sunscreen. Well, I may have exacerbated, precipitated my adverse reaction by using the Sunscreen while I spent three months in the South East last year. As a matter of fact I used plenty of Sunscreen and I kept using it even while I was having all the above side-effects. Although, this Titanium oxide is not the same as the Titanium in the implants nonetheless it causes severe side effect and adds an additional aggravating factor on an already precarious situation. Thanks for this valuable information. I will never use anymore the Sunscreen with the Titanium dioxide in it or just use something else or use nothing at all. I'm left now with five (5) holes in my front bone and with the uncertainty of whether or not they used a Titanium mesh!

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[smileynow](#) Feb 13, 2011

It is a law you are entitled to your medical records and those records should have record of what was put in to your body and where it came from. You should be able to get this information, even if it is after the fact. A coworker of my husband's recently had hip replacement and was offered the choice of a ceramic implant and warned about the ionization of titanium. He chose the ceramic. Wouldn't it be nice if we were at least given the information and known that there was a choice? I would have gladly paid more money myself for a more expensive implant had I known the risks of metal sensitivity.

As it is now we are dependent on the morality of healthcare practitioners to do the right thing for us, as there are no laws mandating they reveal what materials and methods are available for dental implants or any other procedure. The other problem is that morality is second to group think when it comes to the medical establishment, as any doc or dentist who has the gumption to voice concern over the standard of care is automatically put on a watch list by his or her peers. It really takes a courageous doc or dentist to question the established methods of practice and offer something different to his clients. Many are shunned by their peers and then suffer economic consequences, especially in dentistry where practitioners are dependent upon referrals from other members of the dental community. I have learned too much and have become a wiser person for what I have been through.

I am wondering how cascpa4321 is after the Dec. 15th removal of her implants? It is good we are all posting here to help others who may run in to the same trouble.

Thanks also for posting your symptoms. I have had itching on my back since I had this implant but made no connection. It will be interesting to see if it goes away when I get this bugger taken out, as removing the infected tooth has only partially resolved my problems.

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[KFB818](#) Feb 14, 2011

More about mercury poisoning from silver dental amalgams--The galvanization effect caused by the mixing of dental metals isn't confined to the release of titanium ions. There can also be the release of mercury from those silverish amalgams. I saw this quote:

"The interaction between mercury amalgam and other dental metals (gold, steel, and titanium) commonly produces voltages of several volts and currents of several tens of microamperes. The subject's saliva and the metals in his mouth create a battery, and the electric current speeds up the release of mercury many times."

Mercury causes joint pain, tiredness, metallic taste in the mouth, brain fog, numbness, tingling of skin, sores/lesions on the inside of the mouth especially in the area close to mercury fillings, or amalgams next to gold crowns. It can also cause ringing in the ears, vision distortion, dizziness, headaches.

Itching, burning, and hives--those seem like an allergic reaction to titanium, but many of the other symptoms seem like mercury.

It could be that when someone gets a titanium implant/pin/staple that the titanium is the "tipping" point in the interaction with gold, silver amalgams, etc. Titanium may be the cause of some problems, but maybe it's not the cause of all problems.

As I mentioned in an earlier post, when I told the Swedish doctor (metal toxicology is his field) that people were getting joint pain and tiredness from titanium, his reaction was that those 2 symptoms sounded like mercury, not titanium.

What do you guys think? Could titanium be the catalyst (at least for some of you) that that is causing some of your problems?

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[smileynow](#) Feb 15, 2011

What you are saying sounds like what I heard today from a Dr. Granath in Santa Rosa, CA--that the titanium may have or be serving as a catalyst for other sensitivities. He also said that very often there is amalgam underneath the gold crowns and onlays some of us have.

It may well be part of what is going on, but for me I wonder if it is in part a "foreign body" reaction. The blood work I have done reveals anti-thyroid antibodies (but no thyroid dysfunction), anti-nuclear antibodies (but no autoimmune disease), and other oddities. I can tell you for sure something is wrong and it began a few months after the dental implant was installed. There may be other contributing factors, such as an infection and reaction to the flu vaccine, so for me it hasn't been such an easy decision to have the implant out already. How nice it would be to feel normal again!

You had 5 gold crowns removed at the end of 2010. Is there still not any improvement? Is the Swedish



physician you are working with a specialist you came in contact with for Yellow Nail Syndrome, or were you searching for info. on metal sensitivity? Thanks for the added information.:)

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[KFB818](#) Feb 15, 2011

I found the Swedish paper on PubMed (a great site) while I was looking for studies on Yellow Nail Syndrome (YNS). The study is called "Titanium, Sinusitis, and the Yellow Nail Syndrome" and can be found at: <http://www.springerlink.com/content/55n8226584171427/fulltext.pdf>.

Up to this point, no doctor had proposed any cause for YNS. This study said titanium was the cause. It also had interesting info about the mixing of metals that I thought this group could benefit from.

It was the Swedish doctor's interest in metal toxicology that got him involved with YNS & titanium, but dental amalgam is something he speaks about at conferences. His recommendation to me was "My advice is to remove all gold and all amalgam [silverish fillings]. Replace with composite matter without titanium dioxide, or ceramic, or zirconia. Zirconia is excellent, not as hard and inflexible as aluminum-based ceramic, which is an advantage."

I had the 5 crowns & titanium pin removed in late Dec. The swelling in my hands has gone down. I usually get my lung cavities drained every week (alternating cavities), but I skipped last week because I felt I could make it another week. I still expect the usual 2 liters of fluid to be drained. My hope is to see an improving trend with that fluid.

Sweden has socialized medicine, so removing/replacing dental work may not be that expensive there. For me, it was \$6300 to remove/replace my 5 crowns, with the insurance only paying \$1500 of that. I don't regret doing it. I have seen an improvement with the swelling, and am still hoping for other improvements.

I think each person has to decide if they are willing to remove/replace dental work. It is expensive, and it may not work. I still do have silverish amalgam. In my case, titanium not mercury is supposed to be the cause of my problems. I did have a urine test that tested for heavy metals (included mercury; did not include titanium because that is not a heavy metal), and the results were all negative.

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[Bertin76](#) Feb 15, 2011

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What do you guys think? Could titanium be the catalyst (at least for some of you) that that is causing some of your problems?

As for me, I have to say that before the Titanium implants I had none of the above side effects. They all started

after the implants. And I don't even have any mercury. Have gold inlays, but not mercury.

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[curedsoon](#) Feb 15, 2011

Dr. Granath told me yesterday that many times gold onlays or inlays are put on top of old amalgam fillings (which have mercury) that are not completely removed prior to installation of the gold. He also told me that the gold in our mouths is not really pure gold, but usually a mixture of metals--depending on where and when they were fabricated. He is a dentist who was trained in Sweden. You can view his information at [stunning smiles online](#). I may go to him for the galvanic testing, even though this implant may need to be removed in the end.

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[curedsoon](#) Feb 15, 2011

Thanks for the information on that interesting study. The doctor is saying that yellow nail syndrome can actually be caused by the release of titanium ions. Incredible! I wonder what other syndromes/diseases can be caused by the metals in our mouths?

How did you find out you have this yellow nail syndrome, & did you develop symptoms after installing new dental work?

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[smileynow](#) Feb 15, 2011

Hi--I thought I had successfully changed from curedsoon to smileynow, but I see curedsoon is popping up. I thought it might bring around feeling good now rather than soon. Just to let you know, they are both the same person--me.

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[KFB818](#) Feb 15, 2011

Regarding Yellow Nail Syndrome (YNS), I developed sinusitis first (2004-2005), then thick yellow nails (2005), then swollen limbs (2007), then pleural effusions (2010). I went to ENTs, dermalogogists (the yellow nails are not from a fungus), allergists, internists, pulmonologists. I've had all kinds of scans.

It took till 2008 to finally have someone put a name to it, only to find out that only about 160 people in the world have it, and no one knew what caused it--not until the Swedish doctor came out with that paper that said titanium was the cause. In many ways, I am the American test case--and I pray I can confirm the study.

I had a titanium pin and crown (mostly nickel) put in in 1999. I didn't have trouble until 2004 (a year I had a gold crown put in). I had another gold crown put in last year, and my symptoms got worst. I didn't make any connection with titanium or dental gold until I saw the study. I think all the products containing titanium dioxide didn't start until around 2003/4--and that added to the mix. Getting dental fillings & crowns are so commonplace that I don't think most people would think it could be related to feeling bad. Nor would taking medicine coated in titanium dioxide or toothpaste with it. Titanium implants are not that common--so that makes it easier to figure out the connection.

I did come across another rare syndrome that is caused by dental sealants containing titanium dioxide: Neuro-Cutaneous Syndrome (NCS). The people get open sores, mostly on their faces. American doctors didn't make the connection.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 15, 2011

I was reading today on westonaprice dot org that galvanization increases the rate of mercury corrosion ten to twenty fold. It could have been from "The Mercury in Your Mouth--the truth about silver dental fillings" by quicksilver associates. It was hard to tell where the references were coming from. The idea for us being that adding more metals or different kinds of metals can increase galvanization which increases mercury corrosion. Mercury is extremely toxic. So maybe it is part of the problem.

Another holistic dentist I spoke with today, Michael Lipelt in Sebastapol, CA was telling me that the titanium implant may well be the proverbial straw breaking the camels' back--not his exact words, but perhaps a lot of environmental and psychological stressors may already be placing burdens on the body and then the implant just pushes you over the edge. One thousand hrs. in a shrink chair will remedy my body's reaction to the implant or cleanse the blood of anti-thyroid antibodies, but I let him talk. He also mentioned that if we were meant to have titanium in our bodies we would have been born with it. I think he was just looking at the whole body and the titanium as a contributing factor (I would think major) to the boat we're all in.

I wish the others (Serbin, cascpa4321) would tell us how they have fared since removal.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 15, 2011

Thank you for your comments regarding the removal of your implants. I am going to be sure to ask to have the grafting material and anything that isn't mine removed when I get the implant out, unless there is another way around it. My implant was done in one step--the sinus lift/bone graft/implant all in one step, in which case they use a longer (oh joy) implant. It could have been the reason my sinus was perforated during the procedure. It really is a big chunk of metal considering the size of my upper jaw and teeth. What was I thinking?!! It will be

so fantastic if these new dentists can remedy the situation.

It sounds like your removal was easy. I can tell you the cavitation surgery for the tooth I had removed and the area where a wisdom tooth once was is more involved than a simple extraction. Are you going to have the bone grafting material removed or just leave it and see what happens?

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[Bertin76](#) Feb 17, 2011

First, I will answer to what you say about the amalgam fillings under the gold inlays and onlays. You are correct. You know what? Now I have something else to investigate. Unbelievable! We think that we're solving the latest problems when in fact we are discovering old ones at the same time.

Well, I remember very well when the doctor years ago made more than one post with a metallic-looking material. That's the amalgam you're talking about. Then he cemented the gold onlay/inlay on top of it. And the gold which is not really totally gold that's another question.

What can I do. What can we do. We cannot remove all of our treated teeth and will have suck it up. No wonder I had strange feelings and I didn't know what to attribute then to. Thanks for clarifying this puzzle. Now all is coming together for me and I'm glad in a way that finally almost everything has been answered and, I guess, I will have to deal with it, but, at least, I know what it is that is afflicting my health.

Actually, by coming here, I discovered that I've been abused by the medical industry (profession?) going back many years. For instance, as I got the thoughts here, I expanded them and made researches and I discovered that, as I mentioned once in the past, that I have two titanium clips placed after an unnecessary gallbladder surgery, more than twenty years ago. (I had gastritis instead because I was taking medications without food or milk!) The surgeon never explained to me anything of what he was going to do, never mentioned about the Titanium clips and the possible side effects and suggesting an alternative, like some dissolving plastics or something else. No wonder why I have often strange feelings like entering in a large room where there were hundreds of people and feeling like light headed and out of place and other symptoms which I shouldn't have had. The damn Titanium, then the possible mercury in the amalgam fillings and the gold not being really gold!

That's not all. Years ago I made a mistake of lifting a heavy box of tools from the bottom up with my hands. As I pulled the box up I felt an inguinal pull and muscle cracking. I knew that I had messed up. For years nothing more happened then I found out that I had a very small hernia. At times it receded by itself and became invisible and then it reappeared. A Doctor told me that it would have been wise to repair it.

He never told me how he would have done it and I had no idea of anything other than that he might remove the excess muscle and sew everything back. You know he did? He placed a Titanium "MESH" inside between the muscle and the skin and closed up. Yes, he repaired the small hernia but what about the "Titanium mesh?" I guess is still there and I don't think it can be removed.

This brings me to question in your above posts. The Head Dentist is telling me that, "in my case" they didn't use it! What he means 'in my case' when this is a standard procedure for everybody. They want to get rid of me and to "calm" me down and not expose themselves to more of me and all the questions and possibly avoid a lawsuit so they use the "IN YOUR CASE WE DIDN'T USE ANY MESH". When I asked the surgeon about now two weeks ago, if he can remove the bone graft he just answered that, by now the grafted bone is almost gone, replaced by my natural bone!

Go figure it out. I really wanted everything to be removed. Either both of them lied, which is possible, (they lied for a year and a half about the safety of the Titanium", or they're telling me the truth for the first time.

However, after reading many articles about the bone graft procedure and the Titanium mesh used to contain in place the bone graft, I just don't want to believe them. Why they decided, only in my case, not to use the Titanium mesh? Why in my case only? And they use it in all the other cases? Doesn't make sense. What's your opinion.

It appears that the more we discuss, the more we discover. The problem is, referring to my last problem, the

implants, when I got started I had no gum pain at all. Now, after about four painful gum surgeries, I still have pain and may I have pain for who knows how long more.

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[KFB818](#) Feb 17, 2011

For anything done in a hospital, you should be able to find out exactly what was placed into your body. I've had 3 operations: detached retina, cataracts, and perforated eardrum. I actually didn't picture any metal being used in eye and eardrum operations.

I called the doctors. Got an immediate answer about the cataracts; no metal used. The retina operation took longer because the office had to send away to the archives to get an answer. No metal used.

The eardrum operation was in the late 90s. The doctor said he didn't remember, but said an implant would have been used, and in that era it would probably be surgical steel (now-a-days, it would probably be titanium!). He gave me a hospital number to call, and told me to tell that person that I needed to see the operating notes, in particular what implant material was used. I had to put the request into writing, and include my birth date, and several weeks later I got the notes in the mail. They were extremely detailed (about 6 pages), and provided the manufacturer's name and serial numbers, implant material, etc. My titanium dental pin was put in in 1999, so I was pretty worried about what was used in the implant. Much to my relief, it was silicone.

Getting dental crowns/pins out is easy. Even removing titanium dental implants seems do-able. Re-doing an operation is a major decision.

The Swedish doctor says that rather than removing the titanium, you get the same results from removing dental gold and silver amalgam, and stopping the intake of titanium dioxide. This method probably takes longer (he mentioned that it took a year and a half for some people to recover, and others several months). That was in regard to titanium--mercury is a whole different situation.

There are chelation products for mercury, ones that require a prescription from a doctor. There is a urine test for heavy metals (includes mercury); your doctor can order it.

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[Bertin76](#) Feb 17, 2011

I may have to do just that, request a copy of all the dentist files to see what and if they used the Titanium mesh. But what about if they used the mesh but didn't write down this information? This is the problem. I don't believe those people because of the constant lies told me over a period of two years.

I had to find out what I know all by myself. I even wrote an e-mail today to the Head of the Dept. saying that he could have believed me when I first started to complain about my health problems and that I was sure that were caused by the allergy and toxicity of the Titanium implants.

However, he wanted the proof from a Doctor that I was indeed allergic and only after that proof he would have allowed a surgeon to remove the implants.

In the mean time the poison from the toxicity kept spreading throughout the body. Although, I've recuperated a lot, I don't feel yet as I used to. Still have back pain, itching in the back and digestive problems. Over time it

may get better but for the time being I'm still struggling and upset because years ago when talking in the family about dental implants I've always concluded that I would never have had dental implants. Then somehow I forgot all about when the liar of Doctor told me that there was nothing to worry about titanium. I never should have had this poison because that's what it is.

My case is more complex because of the other two prior operations in which I believe that titanium clips and mesh were used. Perhaps, these metals had minimal impact on my health although I felt that I had some problems but didn't know what could be. But now with the addition of the five Titanium implants it probably was too much for my body to sustain the poisonous load and had to react as it did.

I'm going to follow your advice and ask for the medical records of not only the latest dental implant surgery but going back to the Hospitals where the other two operations took place. From what you allude it's possible that twenty years or so ago they didn't use titanium metals in surgeries. If that's the case then I have good reason to start hoping for better days ahead after a long tragic journey with these failed implants.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 21, 2011

That is interesting about the bone graft being replaced by your own bone. So there is nothing left to remove? From what you have told me I would not trust the information you are being given as being the truth as even medical professionals can be wrong sometimes. Another fact is that they want to maintain their relationships with other practitioners in the area, so they will not want to offer a differing opinion. Is it possible you leave the area and get help elsewhere?

As for me the pain above the implant came back about 4 days after I stopped with the antibiotics and antifungals. I have removed an infected tooth and now still have the problem. The irritated feeling is above the implant in the sinus. To top it off I have continual nasal congestion and the feeling of being sick with a cold that only goes away with antibiotics and antifungals. So will simply taking out the implant solve this? The sinus was perforated when the implant was installed. Now there must be an uneven surface that is a nice place for microbes to burrow in. The antibiotics make it possible for me to breathe at night. Tomorrow I have to go get more. I am going to ask Dr. Jarvis about removing the implant and curing the infection. Enough is enough!

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[Bertin76](#) Feb 22, 2011

I don't believe the Surgeon who told me that by now the bone graft is almost gone and replaced by my own bone. You came to the same conclusion. I say if now that's been replaced by my own bone what has happened with the bone grafted? The Surgeon claims that it has been metabolized by the body and somehow removed and this is where the puzzle comes in.

As you advised, I have to investigate all these lies but you know very well that there is an honor code, it may be underground code, but there is among Doctors, that they don't downgrade other Doctors. Like they say that only about 5-6% of the people react to the Titanium. The fact is that every person who gets the Titanium implants is going to get sick one way or another.

All of them think that what is afflicting them is something else and don't even think that it may be the Titanium allergy and toxicity so they go from one Doctor to another, from an Hospital to another to discover what's going on with their bad health.



Finally, most, but not all, find out that there is nothing left than consider the Titanium implants, Dental or otherwise.

I could go out of the area and seek other opinions about what happened to the bone grafts but is a waste of time, but I can ask, indirectly, from a general practitioner, what happens to a bone graft, if it incorporates with the existing bone or it just "disappears". I can do this without any complaints about my dental implants.

I'm going to see the dentists today for the new removable bridge. It should be the last time I see him/them but I'm not sure if I have to go one more time. However, I'm considering a lawsuit even if I have to do it pro-se. Somebody has to pay me for two years of pain and suffering.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 23, 2011

One of the first oral surgeons I consulted with regarding the removal of my implant suggested "cleaning out the bone graft area", so he must have thought there would still be something to remove even though it was 9 months after the implant placement. I have had a cone beam CT scan of the sinus and dental areas and it looks to me like an obvious mass above the implant that pushes into the sinus. I will keep you posted on what I find from my consultation regarding removal of my implant/and/or bone grafting material.

--Did the itching on your back get any better after your implant removal? I cannot wait for that to go away! Right now I have a letter in to Dr. Jarvis and am hoping he will have a plan for getting my health back. I would be great if Serbin and some of the others would post how they are doing since their surgeries.

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[Bertin76](#) Feb 23, 2011

The itching and the burning are gone I believe because I'm not feeling them now. I hope that they're gone for good. I let you know about it. Definitely, I feel that I'm regaining my health back and as time passes I should be feeling better and better. The cause of all my problems was exactly the Titanium and Nickel in the implants. Even without the blood tests I knew it. It took a while to figure it out but I when my Medical Doctors told me that they couldn't find a cause for all my symptom then I knew that it had to be the Titanium implants and coming here I got convinced that that was the case and nothing else. I'm glad that I got them out, This is not what I bargained for, I wanted SAFE dental Implants, but it's part of life, time to move on.

I'll be getting a nice, very little streamlined parcel and in the future I'll see if I want to take another chance at the supposedly safer non-metal implants. Let me know how you will resolve your case. .

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[smileynow](#) Feb 23, 2011

There is a website --doctor spiller, (but together) you may want to look at. He has information on bone resorption and grafting you may be interested in. It looks like the bovine type of grafting is eventually replaced



by the recipients' own bone, so maybe there will be nothing left to clean out in this case. The website explains the different options for bone grafting, so maybe this information will help you.

I really like doctors and dentists who provide information so that we can be informed consumers!

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[Bertin76](#) Feb 24, 2011

Thanks for the information. I just came back now from a gastroenterologist. He checked inside the stomach and found that it was ok but advised me to take some anti acid medication for awhile. As you may remember in the past I mentioned that the reaction of the Titanium and nickel had caused sore throat and digestive pain/distress but it appears that it maybe getting better as the titanium is no longer there.

The information you're giving me is supporting what the Surgeon told me about the grafted bone being replaced by my own bone.

This apparently is good news for you too. It's really amazing on how how body can recover itself and "flush" out what's not part of itself!

I'm going to see the website mentioned by you and try to learn more. Thanks.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 26, 2011

You may want to read work by Omar M. Amin, PhD. He has a paper on dental sealant toxicity and Neurocutaneous Syndrome. There is a congenital Neurocutaneous Syndrome, which you can be born with, but it is not the same as what he is talking about. He is talking about something something being induced by dental materials, and I thought of you because of all the sores you have had in your mouth.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 26, 2011

The oral surgeon called with the results of the bone biopsy and said there was necrotic bone, and that he will be forwarding the pathology report to me. I wouldn't think it is okay to have necrotic bone in the jaw, but I guess this is okay with him. So I wonder how much he really believes in the NICO diagnosis, although he did do a cavitation surgery at the site of a wisdom tooth and tooth he extracted. He also suggested if symptoms return, as they have in the past, to have an ENT clean out the sinus on top of the implant. He also does not recommend removing the implant because he says I will have a permanent hole into the sinus and that the sinus will be chronically infected. Missing the infected tooth is definitely a plus, but still there is this joint aching (on one side of the body) and crawling itching feeling. I also have numbness and tingling in the arms and legs. The symptoms did get temporarily better immediately after the surgery. I think because he administered ozone around the entire area.

So now the surgeon who I thought would remove this bugger is not wanting to do it, and I have all these unexplained symptoms with no help in sight. One oral surgeon in town said he has removed "a couple" of osseointegrated implants" in his 30 years of practice. The periodontist did say he would remove it, but now that I have been warned about the communication between the oral cavity and sinus it would be better to have an oral surgeon who has experience with sinus repair do it. Jerandi, did you have a group of oral surgeons at UCLA do your surgery?

Wouldn't it be great if there was a doc who had seen this before (and would admit it!!!) It would also be great if there was a protocol to follow for regaining ones health. There is an expert forum on part of this medhelp site. Has anyone sought advice there?

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[smileynow](#) Feb 26, 2011

In reading over your implant removal, it sounds like it went smoothly for you. Dr. Carusso @ the University of Pennsylvania? You would still recommend him?

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Mar 02, 2011

I went to Dr. Lee Carrasco at Upenn and he was excellent. I went to his Radnor, PA office so that it could be billed through my medical insurance, he is MD as well as DDS. The phone # is (610) 902-2100. Good luck!

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[smileynow](#) Mar 02, 2011

Thanks for the info.. One way or another I will regain my health.

You all may be interested in looking up the Toxic Element Research Foundation. Terf and info, but together. Further evidence that these implants are harmful, even without the metal sensitivity issues. One reasearcher claimed that "anything implanted in bone will create an autoimmune response." Another issue is that anaerobic bacteria, which produce toxins, can be found in the bone grafts surrounding metallic implants. TERF is a non-profit research foundation dedicated to stimulating interest in research as well as infoming the public to become aware of the potential problems associated with dental materials and procedures. Oh, how I wish this would have popped up when I did my limited research before the implant procedure! I trusted the dental profession with my health, but in reality was not infomed of the potential health consequences of placing a foreign body in my jaw.

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[jerandi](#) Mar 19, 2011

Thanks smileynow for giving me someone to look up. I'll do that after this post. I drill gave the mouth sores. Really painful. It radiates through my cheeks so they feel like they are burning too. Worse at night. I'm not eating too much. Still nauseated. I take vitamins and when I do eat, it's healthy. Except for ben&jerrys. I try to cool off the mouth before I sleep. Implant has been gone since December. I have upper temps waiting for gums to be ready. I have no one to look at the mouth now. UCLA surgeons did not want to remove implant. I had the doc who put them in take them out. I think he's ticked. In his opinion, I had what he thinks a perfectly good implant removed and I still have sores. I do not regret removing implant. I still have gold root canal and silver to remove. Pet was really I'll and I had to spend extra cash there. What sort of anti-fungals are you on?

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[KFB818](#) Mar 21, 2011

It's nice to see some activity again. This forum has been so quiet. I'm guessing it's because people aren't doing as well as they had hoped.

I know I'm not. I had 5 gold crowns and 1 titanium crown-pin removed at the end of 2010 (to stop the galvanization effect of metals), and was hoping for improvements in my pleural effusions (from Yellow Nail Syndrome (YNS), thought to be caused by titanium and/or titanium dioxide). There has been no change in the amount of fluid that is drained. The swelling in my hands has gone down, but it comes and goes. It will be 3 months at the end of March that the crowns were removed (replaced by zirconia crowns).

I went to see a doctor who specializes in toxicology (it took many months to just get an appointment). I actually know much more about YNS than the doctors do since it's so rare, but the toxicology doctor was interested, and didn't dispell that titanium and/or titanium dioxide could be the cause. He may contact the Swedish doctor who came up with that theory.

This toxicology doctor said there are no chelation products specially for titanium (chelation products are usually doctor-prescribed; they bind to a metal, allowing it to then be expelled from the body in waste material). Such products are often used with mercury or lead poisoning.

I was already aware of that, but had recently started my own "home-grown" metal elimination therapy using over-the-counter supplements. I looked into "metal detox" products on the internet, and realized that 2 of the products often listed are vitamin E and zinc. Well, YNS studies list list vitamin E (high doses, between 800 and 1200 iu) and small doses of zinc as helping other YNS people to improve (though the studies state that it was unknown why they would help). I had tried both before, and didn't see improvement after briefly using them--and since they are just supplements--gave up on them.

But maybe the reason they worked was that they were acting as antioxidants. And with all supplements, you don't see changes that quickly. I added selenium into the mix since it was easy to get and is listed as a major "detox" supplement on the internet. I told all this to the toxicology doctor, and again, he didn't dispell the idea. In fact, he added another antioxidant supplement (called NAC) available from GNC stores. With the vitamin E, I decided on 800 iu (rather than a 1000 or 1200 that I've seen in YNS studies) because there have been recent studies that too much vitamin E can be toxic in itself. Of course, I made sure that none of the

supplements were coated in titanium dioxide!

Speaking of titanium dioxide, since it is considered a "manufacturing aid" it doesn't have to be specified as an ingredient. It is used to make skim milk white (skim milk would be bluish without it). Since 2% milk is created by watering down whole milk with skim milk, it also has titanium dioxide. Yet you never see titanium dioxide listed as an ingredient. It also makes these things white: cool whip, whipped cream, artificial sweeteners, donut icing and filling, coffee creamers, shaving foam/gels, etc.

All this in addition to all the other things (pill/candy/vitamin coatings, toothpaste, gum, sunblocks, etc) that have already been listed in this forum. I read that over 10,000 over-the-counter products use titanium dioxide, and many of these contain nano-titanium dioxide, which is so small that it can be absorbed into cells.

I had thought that I had stopped all intake of titanium dioxide, but maybe the reason I haven't improved is that I was still ingesting/absorbing it with all this other stuff. I've now eliminated all this newly discovered stuff.

Between this and the "metal detox", maybe there's still hope.....

Jerandi--I hope you can get to the bottom of what is causing the mouth sores. Dental sealants containing titanium dioxide can cause Neuro-Cutaneous Syndrome (NCS). People with this get open sores. Some URLs: <http://www.icnr.com/dentalsealants/DentalSealantToxicity.pdf>, [http://members.cox.net/llyee/ncs\\_overview/overview\\_neuro-cutaneous\\_syndrome\\_revA.html](http://members.cox.net/llyee/ncs_overview/overview_neuro-cutaneous_syndrome_revA.html).

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Mar 22, 2011

Just wanted to give an update now status post extraction 2 months ago.

I felt tremendously better right away, the only lingering symptom was the sinusitis. I am sorry to report it has not gotten any better and in fact has gotten worse. I had a cone beam scan which showed the implant had perforated my maxillary sinus and left a hole after extraction. It appears the hole is healing but more slowly than desired.

I would love to know id anyone has been diagnosed with Actinomycosis of the paransal sinuses. I came across this research article and it sounds like similar symptoms to what people have written about on this thread. <http://www.ksrhino.or.kr/upload/journal/0192010027.pdf>

My next step is a visit to a competent ENT (the last one I saw put me on a med for stomach acid, said that was causing my cough and that no way was it my dental implant---genius). I am hoping to get my sinus aspirated so they can plate and culture it to see exactly what is growing so that they can treat it with the appropriate antibiotic/antifungal instead of just shooting in the dark as they have been doing.

Would love to hear how everyone else is doing and see if anyone has had similar problems with chronic sinusitis.

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[smileynow](#) Mar 25, 2011

Both of you have asked about fungal meds/and or sinusitis and I will tell you my experience. My problems with the itching burning infected feeling around the implant started late in 2009. After CT scans, many x-rays, numerous visits to ENTs, oral surgeons, 2 periodontists, etc. I finally struck gold when I went to a M.D. who also practices integrative medicine. He reasoned that since I had been on numerous courses of antibiotics and using nasal steroids it was possible that there was a colonization of fungi above the implant and that I would perhaps get relief from using a nasal spray to address that issue. He also reasoned that since the implant inadvertently perforated the sinus during installation that there was now a rough surface for microbes to attach to on the floor of the maxillary sinus. BINGO! This is the only relief from that chronic itching burning nasty feeling that had plagued me for close to a year. It is true that sinus pain can feel like dental pain. The nasal spray he prescribed is Amphotericin B and I get it through his office, but compounding pharmacies can provide it, too. When he listened to the remainder of my symptoms he prescribed Nizoral 200mg. tablets also, which I took for months. Finally I had the tooth behind the implant out as well as cavitation surgery to clean the area around the diseased tooth. This did provide some relief, but after I finished the antibiotics (for the surgery) and antifungals the problem returned. My allergist and the ENT docs all say this is just a theory and it must be a coincidence that the pain goes away while using Amphotericin. Basically they are all dismissive of what I have told them.

Right now I am completing iv treatments of ozone and uv blood irradiation. So far there has been improvement, but it is still too early to tell if it will solve the problem for good. It also seems like quite a bit of pain around the implant is now coming from the tmj on that side. All along I have told every single health care provider that many symptoms improve with antiinfectives, and finally someone is listening.

HopefulinSJ, Let me know what you find from your ENT consult. I consulted with 3 who saw no need for the Amphotericin, as the sinus was clear except for the mucosal thickening above the implant. If they do not see it on an x-ray, see it on a lab result, or see a mass of infection, then they basically can't help you because they only believe the "facts" as disseminated by the medical establishment, the government, and studies which are largely fueled by interests of maintaining authority and profit for the pharmaceutical industry.

Another possible underlying issue is the metal sensitivity or foreign body reaction that may be contributing to the symptoms. I seem to have some sort of autoimmune response either to the infective component or just to the implant. Right now I don't have anyone who I feel confident in enough to take it out. The oral surgeon who did the cavitation surgery felt the implant would be difficult to get out and possibly leave a permanent hole leading from the mouth to the sinus.

I keep you posted--hopefully with good news!

--Oh the last ENT I saw for chronic nasal rhinitis that only goes away with antibiotics ordered a sonogram of the thyroid and I have a nodule. Now lets hope this problem is just a small blimp on the path to welldom.

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[jerandi](#) Mar 26, 2011

So we just have to accept this pain forever? I'll go back to my doctor next week. Mouth looks like a bomb went off and my face burns. Not a fun way to wake up. Thing is....what to do now? Pet got ill and drained my funds. Taxes are around corner. If anyone knows what will help with burning mouth sores let me know.

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[smileynow](#) Mar 26, 2011

Oh I feel bad for you. You had the implant removed & are still in pain!

At least one doc has given me some relief of the ongoing symptoms and that is something to be thankful for. Like a bucket of water on a fire that one day will be extinguished. At least he has a clue. I will stick with the good doc and keep working, hoping, and praying. So far the most relief I have achieved is with the help of docs who are a little on the outside of mainstream. They have a traditional education, but are led outside of the usual in order to relieve the suffering of people who are not being helped by conventional practitioners.

In the past I used Lysine for mouth sores, but they were nothing like what you are describing. It doesn't sound like you are being helped by your current set of providers. And the money is another concern. You need someone who will listen to you and provide some relief on a payment schedule you can afford. There has to be someone who can help you! Have you seen any biological dentists? I will ask my M.D. if he can recommend a practitioner in CA who can help with your allergy/immune/toxicology issues.

Take care.

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[smileynow](#) Mar 27, 2011

Would you mind telling me the symptoms of your sinusitis? Is there mucosal thickening on the floor of the maxillary sinus, and do you have nasal swelling that interferes with sleep quality? I am also trying to get a permanent cure to the sinus problems induced by my implant. This is an issue that needs to be addressed with me as well, because even if I were to get the implant out I fear there would still be the sinus issue. The last oral surgeon thought it was a sinus issue rather than a problem with the implant so he didn't want to take it out. It would be great if I could find an ENT who could understand the problem above the implant and successfully treat it! Thanks for posting the article!

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[smileynow](#) Mar 27, 2011

Hi--I don't know if this will help you, but for years I have been irrigating my sinuses and it helps with allergies and has cut down on the amount of infections I used to get. You can buy an attachment from a company called Ethicare that will attach to a waterpik and then use a sinus rinse or 1/2 tsp non iodized salt per 500 ml of warm water. I use a sinus rinse packet by NeilMed instead of the salt. You can also buy a Netipot, but I think the waterpik does a better job for me. Grossan also makes sinus irrigation products.

Since the implant and the imaginary fungal colonization above the implant, I find that using steroids or nasal sprays with anything sweet in them makes symptoms above the implant worse. In theory these are things that would feed a fungal colonization so that is probably why. I don't use nasal steroids anymore. They were making my situation worse, and I developed an ulcer in the nasal septum from using them. The Grossan nasal rinse has zylitol in it, which is also sweet, so I avoid it. A pharmacist told me that liquid iodine is a natural fungicide, and so now I put two dropperfuls (not drops) into the last 200 mls of sinus rinse. This seems to help and keep things cleaned out for me.

One doc told me using the liquid iodine might adversely affect my sense of smell. Of course you would want to ask your doc--I am just telling you what has helped me.

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[jerandi](#) Apr 11, 2011

Using the iPhone is not the most pleasant way of updating. Regarding nasal sprays, even prescription ones have side effects. I'm pretty sure even nasal polyps. I stopped using them. I have to have oral cancer screening now as sores are worse. Extreme inflammation. Doc recommended biotene products. I have to read what is in them. Immune system is low. Looking for way to make me stronger. Bottom line folks, never had issues until implant put in. It is out, and I'm not better. Hang in as will I. Keep us updated as to what works and what doesn't. It will eventually educate docs who don't have a clue.

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[Treehugs](#) Apr 12, 2011

Do you believe that your retinal problem was caused by your implant?

I have read all of the group's posts. I've had 2 implants on my R side and problems since- mainly retinal edema on my R eye. Thought it was because the crowns weren't properly fitted, and have had a smaller 2nd surgery



with more bone implanting. I was going to get new (joined) crowns but can tell that the site still feels uncomfortable- the auto immune thing I think. I can tell that there is no easy answer. I had 2 root canals in the same place before the implants and couldn't wait to get them out- but the wierd feeling in my face remained ie. was there before the implants. I'm not sure that there is a way back to normal feeling in the jaw after all that it has had to endure for so many years. Nevertheless I am going to do some research before I get new crowns or get the implants out. I am obviously part of this family, the Canadian branch. Any info on good Canadian MD/DDS who is working in this area?

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Apr 25, 2011

thanks for your advice and sorry for the delay, i have been quite ill. the mucosal thickening is limited to the sinus which the implant perforated. the antibiotics, oral steroids and nasal spray were supposed to decrease the swelling now that the implant is out. if that didnt work my ENT wanted to do surgery to remove the inflamed tissue and he promised good results.

all of that is on hold now as in the meantime i have been diagnosed with lyme disease which i have had for a very long time. the lyme infection is what caused my body to reject the implant. the lyme infection could be what is preventing the sinus swelling from resolving and my dr said that i have 50-70% chance that once the lyme is cleared the swelling will go down and i wont need sinus surgery.

as far as my overall symptoms go even though i am still not well i feel tremendously better than i did during the 4 yrs that i had the implant in. seems like the implant exacerbated a pre existing lyme disease in my case and i think it would be prudent for anyone suffering illness coinciding with dental implant placement to see a good infectious disease specialist.

Good luck to everyone.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Apr 27, 2011

For all of us suffering from mystery illness I would imagine we have had similar experiences of going through endless testing procedures and never coming up with the correct diagnosis. I have finally been diagnosed correctly using Autonomic Response Testing and Bio-Energetic Testing. These procedures are noninvasive. Conventional doctors still refer to these diagnostics as quackery but the more intelligent and open minded ones are getting on board with it. I have found an MD in my area and I am very grateful to be on the right path to regain my health.

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[smileynow](#) Apr 30, 2011

Thank you for the information on your status. It sounds like we have a similar problem with the maxillary sinus inflammation and mucosal thickening above the implant--(in your case where the implant once was).

I have had several different opinions on the sinus irritation above the implant: #1-It was because of the infected tooth next to the implant (that tooth is now gone--so that theory was incorrect. #2-Because the implant is titanium, meaning that another more biocompatible material would not be causing the sinus irritation. #3 There is a colonization of bacteria + fungus above the implant as the sinus membrane was perforated during the procedure and resulted in a scar tissue or a rough surface for microbes to attach to. #4 The mucosal thickening and inflammation are nothing to be concerned about because the sinus is clear #5 The implant created an anatomic abnormality by the bone graft & implant, and this is in itself irritating. #6 There is a hole between the sinus and oral cavity with a constant source of microbes entering the sinus from the oral cavity. Maybe it is a combination of all the above. I have been told by the dentists that it is now a sinus problem and I need to see an ENT to have the problem resolved. I have an appt. with the one who thinks the irritation will not go away until the implant is removed. It is too bad that getting the implant removed has not resolved your issues.

So you have been living with Lyme for some time & the implant just put you over the edge, so to speak? What is it about Lyme that causes the sinus inflammation? I can't remember--how long did you have the implant and what were the signs of rejection?

I too have been suspicious of Lyme Disease because of the symptoms, but so far blood tests for that have been negative. I can tell you that the UV blood irradiation & ozone treatments for infection helped me immensely, and they are treatments for Lyme Disease as well as other infections. The Dr. who administered those treatments was hoping the infection around the implant would completely resolve, but unfortunately that is not the case. Two days without the antifungal nasal wash and things are feeling itchy and irritated again. Even the eye above the implant is irritated. Is your eye irritated? Without the antinfectives, it becomes red and irritated.

One thing for sure--if there were no implant, my sinus would be just fine! It would be good if prospective implant recipients could have some of the information in this thread. Right now any kind of google search with the word dental implant only results in positive information about the biomedical device that has caused so much misery for us all. All the dentists and dental organizations pay money to get themselves on the first page of a search regarding dental implants. People have no idea that there is a choice in materials, and when I tell other docs my sinus was perforated--they say oh, that is common. How common is it? A lot of things are common that aren't good!

Thanks for the information--every little bit helps. I hope you are feeling better. --The tests you had for Lyme--it is good they are treating you. I have read that the blood tests show a huge number of false negatives.

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[jerandi](#) May 07, 2011

It has been since December (last week) that my implant was removed. The cancer doctor said that when her patients had their implants removed, their immune system problems went away. She said to give it more time. Next week I get another result from the oral surgeon from a biopsy he did in my mouth. Hopefully, I'll get something conclusive. In the meantime, still not feeling well. Three years - isn't that enough? I know the insurance refers us out to the oral surgeon and ENT, but they seem to be spot checking or spot treating. I wish I

could afford to trump the insurance to let me go to a diagnostician and make them stop treating things to rule things out, but to diagnose what it is we are treating. I'm wiped going back and forth from doctor to dentist and the dentists don't want to do more work because of the mouth sores.

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[Bertin76](#) May 09, 2011

Hi, just came around after being too busy. All what I have to say at this point is that I'm not feeling as I expected. Don't have anymore the nightmares and the strong muscle spasms and all the side effects enumerated in my posts but I don't feel as I used to, as I was before the toxic titanium implants.

They left me debilitated and with numerous digestive problems and, as it appears, permanent nerve pain for the four painful gum operations that I went through during a period of two years, the last one for the removal of the titanium.

Still have also thyroid pain and muscle pain/stiffness. I wish you well and hope that you get rid of the titanium. Don't look elsewhere, my problems, your problems started with the infamous toxic Titanium-Nickel implants..

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[hopefulinSJ](#) May 10, 2011

Yes, it does sound like we have a similar problem with our sinuses. Mine were no trouble at all before the implant. I did not have any signs that my body was rejecting the implant until it was removed and the dr showed me pink granulated soft tissue where there should have been ossified bone at the apex of the implant which was the part that had perforated my sinus cavity. That left a hole in my sinus and I refused a bone graft. The swelling never got better and the thinking is that the lyme infection (and 3 other co infections) is what caused my body to reject the implant and being that there is/was a chronic infection in my body it prevented the swelling from going down as my sinus was traumatized from the implant and extraction and was a good place to harbor and breed bacteria. The other thing I learned is that I have chlamydia pneumonia (different from the STD) and that causes chronic sinusitis. Here is a link with info on that. <http://www.lymediseaseblog.com/you-could-have-chlamydia-pneumoniae/>

I am 3 weeks into treatment for my lyme and c. pneumonia and i cannot believe how good i feel! it really feels like a miracle. I felt tremendously better after the extraction but the sinus symptoms still lingered as did the fatigue. Now i feel back to normal.

Just to recap the time line for you I was infected with lyme 10 years ago, got treated for it with one round of antibiotics and never really thought about it again. Didn't feel great during those years but chalked it up to stress and aging (haha i was 35 at the time). When i fell ill 4 years ago the lyme titer came back negative and i never thought to mention that i had been treated for lyme, i think, i don't really remember which is part of the disease, but i know i didn't push the drs in the direction of lyme if i did mention it. i have no idea when i was infected with c pneumonia but horrible respiratory symptoms including bronchitis and pneumonia started 3-4 years ago. The sinus problems started 4 years ago right after I had the implant placed. My sinus problems are finally now resolving. I have very slight congestion now but I have been doing a lot of air travel lately so I may be 100% recovered, but i can tell you allergies here have been horrendous and for the first time in 4 years i am not suffering.

my dr says he sees many patients with these underlying infections that they have no idea that they have. i went to him for sinus and he gave me nothing for my sinus problems but said when the underlying infections resolved the sinus would clear and he was right!

it is interesting about how your symptoms return when you stop the antifungal. I had suspected I had a fungal infection in my sinus (in addition to everything else) 2 years back and i believe i cured it using sinol nasal spray (homeopathic) and following the body ecology diet found here <http://bodyecology.com/> oh, and my eyes were sometimes itchy but not that bad but the eye on the implant side would twitch at random times.

I hope you get some relief soon.

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[smileynow](#) May 14, 2011

Next time you see your Oncologist can you ask how many of her Cancer patients have dental implants, and if the cancer is in close proximity to the implants? It is a scary thought that sometimes chronic inflammation of tissue can predispose the tissue to cancer. I think that is why people who chew tobacco are more likely to get oral cancer. Forgive me because I can't remember--what type of Cancer have you had?

I have been from Dr. to Dr. searching for an answer as to what the problem is and what to do about it with no definitive answers. Recently I was referred to a neuro-opthamalogist for eye irritation (of course on the side of the implant) and a single episode of anisicoria (unilateral pupil enlargement). I asked him if he had seen other people with eye trouble after dental implant surgery. I think he was interrupted (at least 4 x) by staff and so I never got an answer to that question. I think he had a cold and the next day I woke up with a sore throat which morphed into a cold and then into a sinus infection which required antibiotics. The only good thing is that he looked at me and said "you definitely don't have m.s." I didn't think so anyway. I should have stayed home and saved myself some misery.

I hope you are feeling better.

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[smileynow](#) May 14, 2011

Sorry you are not feeling better at this point. I too have thyroid pain and have tested positive for anti-thyroid antibodies and been referred to an endocrinologist. The thyroid levels are border-line normal, but one (out of several) ENT docs noted the fact that people with antithyroid antibodies are more likely to develop nodules on their thyroids. He ordered a sonogram and I do have a small nodule which will be monitored by the endocrinologist.

It is my opinion that the implant and/or subsequent unchecked dental infection is what led to the antithyroid antibodies. Another concern is all the head & neck radiation for CT scans and dental x-rays over the last two years. It is probably 50/50 the amount of disease that is cured vs. caused by medical treatment.

So far the only help for my symptoms has come from the alternative camp. These are the professionals who have not bought into the party lines of the AMA and ADA who are bought and paid for with money from the pharmaceutical industry. The political and economic aspirations of these groups is enormous, and your health is NOT their first concern!

Maybe you should ask to have your thyroid antibody levels checked. I had to ask, as they kept telling me the

thyroid levels were normal. I knew the thyroid was irritated and now (only because I asked), I have proof. Good luck.

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[smileynow](#) May 14, 2011

Thanks for writing. After undergoing 5 weeks of UVB irradiation (coinciding with 10iv ozone treatments) I felt so much better. I thought I was cured, but unfortunately had many symptoms return a few weeks afterward. One thing that definitely got better was pain around the implant, but then I had to start antibiotics last week for a sinus infection, which started the fungal trouble in the sinus again. There has been grey mucus expelled during my sinus irrigation--I have read this can also be due to coal mining and cocaine use, which are not in my history. So duh, it must be fungus. Only since my CT scans show a clear sinus (never mind the CT evident inflammation above the implant) I should have no problem. What a bunch of crap. I wonder if the apex of my implant would be much like yours if I could get someone to go in there.

I'm sorry, but I can't remember which tooth or teeth your implant had replaced? Did they have to repair your sinus when they removed the implant? I don't blame you for not wanting a bone graft. This whole experience has made me wary of putting anything foreign in my body! Do you have a big hole or holes now?

It has been a big question as to if removing the implant would help the sinus inflammation and fungal issues resolve. The previous theory was that removing the bad tooth next to the implant would resolve the sinus issues. I wish.

Are you going to have to have some sort of a maintenance schedule for ongoing trouble with Chlamydia Pneumoniae and Lyme? It is my understanding that that it is hard to completely eradicate either of those from the body. I feel like I have a chronic infection as well. I have wondered if perforating the sinus during implant surgery or a chronic infection in the sinus exposed the rest of the body to something that is just hard to shake.

I'm glad you are feeling better. I hope there are good times ahead!

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[smileynow](#) May 14, 2011

I have also had gut issues, even before the implant. I had been taking proton-pump inhibitors for several years, which I have heard are not good for you in the long term. Recent treatment from M.D.s who are integrative have shown me fantastic alternatives with great results:

Wobenzym PS dietary supplement pills from Mucos Pharma in Germany 5 pills/3x day between meals.

Add to this Interfase plus enzyme supplement from Klaire labs 2 pills/3x day between meals.

Also helpful is Nema Base dietary supplement Acid/Alkaline also made in Germany

but distributed by Marco Pharma in Roseburg, OR. 2 pills 2x/day chewed or broken in half.

I don't know if you can buy these your self or if you need to go to a healthcare practitioner. My stomach feels better than it has in years!

--I think two of the meds were prescribed because they interfere with the process of biofilm formation, which is multiple microbes working together for THEIR common good (not yours.) It is just a happy coincidence for me they are beneficial for stomach problems as well.

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[jerandi](#) May 15, 2011

The oncologist said her cancer patients had an auto immune problem due to the dental implants. She said it took a while for their symptoms to go away once they removed their implants. In the meantime, they are sending me to endocrinologist. Next Friday. I'm keeping an eye out for this forum. Wouldn't it be AWESOME if the symptoms go away in a year! I remain diligent staying away from titanium and SLS products. Eating more bluberries too!

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[smileynow](#) May 15, 2011

Amazing. Your oncologist actually said her patients had an autoimmune problem due to the implants! Are they the only group of people with autoimmune issues related to the implants?

I am almost 50 yrs. old and have never had anything abnormal on blood tests prior to the implant surgery except a high level of high density lipoproteins due to years of exercise. After the implant I tested positive for antinuclear antibodies and anti-thyroid antibodies. This started two months after the implant.

The dentists hear no evil-speak no evil-see no evil when it comes to implants. It is refreshing to hear your oncologists' accessment of what she has seen. All I have heard is "Oh-I have never heard of any connection between dental implants and autoimmune dysfunction".

Thanks for the info.

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[smileynow](#) May 16, 2011

Today I saw another oral surgeon in town. This is #5 of the oral surgery professionals. He says he will not take it out as there is no medical reason to do so. He says that removing the implant will leave nothing to chew on the upper left side of the mouth which will create a host of TMJ trouble and more facial and nerve pain because I

will be lopsided.

The bigger problem may be that in removing it he would be "stepping on the toes" of another dental professional, being the one who placed the implant. Hmmm.. Priorities. Another day with another hour down the toilet.

It is now clear that any dental or sinus procedure to cure this will not be found 50 miles from my door. Maybe 500, but not 50.

This week I will be trying a new nasal irrigation with Gentamycin & Nystatin in it. Maybe that will cure the sinus inflammation.

Later.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) May 18, 2011

So sorry to hear about your wasted time with the oral surgeon. My surgeon also did not want to remove mine as he saw no medical necessity but he agreed to do an extraction I believe, because I insisted on it. I eventually went to another surgeon for the extraction and I am glad I did because I suspect that the surgeon who placed it may not have been forthcoming about the indication that my body rejected it. My implant was replacing the third to last tooth in my upper jaw on my right side. Now there is a vacant spot there and I will never have anything else placed there. Many many many people have had missing teeth for most of their life with no problems. I have had TMJ since my twenties (now 45) and my plan is to have my ortho make a spacer type appliance I will wear at night to keep teeth from moving and prevent bone changes.

It sounds like you have narrowed down your problem, microbial infection that is tricky, sneaky and resistant to treatments you have tried. It seems like the landscape in your sinus has been mechanically altered by the implant and it is a perfect breeding ground for microbes. The problem is, short of sinus surgery, there is no easy way to aspirate the sinus in order to do a plate and culture to find out for sure what is growing in there, so just throwing darts with current treatment. That was the position I found myself in. Then I found an MD who does Autonomic Response testing and finally discovered the source and type of infection I have. It will be an ongoing thing with lyme and c pneumonia but I have been told that within 6 months of treatment i should be my old self again and that flare ups are easily managed and diminish over time. I am not a Dr however it seems totally reasonable that your underlying infection has caused your body to reject the implant. It is functional, however your body does not want it there and is fighting it. Have you had blood work for IGG's? Mine showed my immune system was shot. They told me i had an immune deficiency disease and maybe I was born with it, sounds good except I barely was ill until i was 40 and had the implant placed and then never had a healthy day.

here is info by a dr who has done cutting edge research on microbial infections, heavy metal toxicity and chronic illness. i believe the dr who is treating me has based his protocol on this info. <http://www.klinghardtacademy.com/Articles/Heavy-Metals-and-Chronic-Diseases.html>

good luck to you, i know what a nightmare this is

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[jerandi](#) May 22, 2011

Hi there,

First, the oncologist said the handful of patients who had taken them out got better (immune wise) when removed. She told me to be patient and that a couple of months wasn't enough time. Second, the person who removed my implants was the dentist who put them in. We are putting a bridge in its place. I had the same talk with my oral surgeon - palate can fall, etc. I figured if it did - I'd be rushed to the hospital where they'd fix it. I was determined. I have to say, it was very annoying when the dentist who took them out said how did I like taking perfectly good implants out - and I said very happy thanks. I am nothing but polite. I also am trying a more holistic approach to my issues. I am only on my high blood pressure medicine. Yes, I wish I could take my allergy pills and acid reflux medicine. But after reading the protonix can cause mouth sores, periodontic abscesses ... I'm just very careful. Mother's Market, and the library reading Homeopathic remedies and the Merck's manual - hopefully I'll find out what is wrong. In the meantime, my doctor referred me to an endocrinologist. I'm hoping to get an answer.... and find a way not to take a pill that the pharmaceutical companies profit from giving people cancer. Hang in there. In the meantime, I roll over to look at my husband and see he's wearing a lightweight titanium necklace .... um, where has he been since 2008????

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[Estring](#) May 22, 2011

HI everyone,

I spent a couple of hours reading all the posts about titanium. I wished I found this site 6 months ago. Maybe I wouldn't be so sick now.

It all started a few years back, very sick for 2 years, found out it was from excess COPPER in the drinking water, was fine within 48 hours when I started to drink bottled water. 2 years ago, had a few reactions at the dentist after my new dentist decided my upper teeth were all bad, loose, etc from periodontal disease, had a bunch of root canals and a bridge was made and glued in place. Within 4 hours, I had such a severe headache, and my feet were burning. It was removed the next day, many other glues tried, same reaction, different chemicals, but the worst was from ZINC. Now I wonder if it wasn't from the titanium posts they use!!! I developed severe chronic sinusitis at this point, the ENT MD called the dentist, after a sinus CT scan and asked her why she had left in very decayed teeth as it caused the sinusitis. The dentist denied this.

So in January 2010, I decided to get all upper teeth removed and would get implants as there is zinc in dental cream and I would not be able to use it. I did find an organic cream that I had no difficulty with. I had to wait 9 months for all to heal before the implants. I did research but never found anything about titanium toxicity.

So, the end of Nov. 2010, I had 4 titanium implants put in the upper mouth. I was assured by the dentist and oral surgeon that with my history, there wouldn't be any problems. The surgery and recovery went well, at least I thought it did.

Not realizing it at the time of the implants that it was connected, I started to trip and fall 1 week after the implants. My legs were very weak. I had great difficulty going upstairs, my feet up to my knees were numb. I also had a very mild headache and developed insomnia. I went to a neurologist, who did find I had a trapped nerve in my spine and sent me to physical therapy. She told me the numbness and tingling was because I was

prediabetic!!!!

The implants had to heal and in 3 months (April 1, 2011), they slit my gums and they screwed on a small cap, to keep the area open while the dentist made my bridge. It was a small set of teeth that would click together like a snap., with both snaps made from titanium. It was a perfect solution to my problem.

In one week, I started to feel achy and muscles were a little sore, in another week, the dentist took off the small caps and put on the permanent larger female snap and was making up the teeth after he took impressions of the area. Within 1 week, my upper, lower, and mid back started aching, had muscle pain and one morning I almost lightfell when I stood up, I barely made it to the bathroom. I kept walking and within 2 hours my strength slightly improved, but got worse again, better, very eradicate. After a couple of days, the numbness and pain went up my whole leg to my hips, I couldn't get around unless I used a cane. Couldn't get appt with the neurologist, didn't matter, she still thinks its diabetes.

Anyway, called the dentist and surgeon, had the new larger caps removed and the smaller ones put back on. They asked me to try and wait it out and see if my body would adjust. They asked me very few questions. Within a week I was so sick I thought I was going to die. By now my sinusitis which I have been dealing with again for the past 3 months got so bad, between the dizziness, pressure in the head, ringing in the ears, severe leg and foot pain, severe back and muscle pain, sore throat, etc. I called the surgeon and demanded they be removed and I had them all out 10 days ago. The removal was a piece of cake.

The pain in my legs decreased about 50% that night. And in 2 days, I was walking without the cane. Now, I still have numbness and tingling and my feet feel still like I am wearing steel boots, but the numbness has decreased a little. I still am very weak, have a sore throat. Yesterday, I had a horrible day, all my symptoms returned but I was better later in the evening. Today I am about the same. I can see this is going to take time. How much of my health I get back, we will have to see. Oral surgeon told me the dentist looked it up since I had the implants out and that they did find it could be a problem.

So, I am so happy my walking is better, I am going to try and be positive, but I have a long way to go yet. I am going to see an immunologist this week, as recommended by the surgeon. Saw the neurologist and told her the story and was told how lucky I was but still thought my foot problem was diabetes! YEAH!!!

Don't believe anything anyone tells you about titanium implants, they lie. Trust Yourself!!

Estring

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[Georgek04](#) May 24, 2011

Hi All,

Reading all these posts surely has opened my eyes. I have endured countless dental procedures including root canals, crowns, jaw surgeries, joint surgeries including bilateral total joint replacement. I have had complication after complication and have just found out by the Environemntal Center in Dallas, TX that I am sensitive to Chromium Cobalt Alloy, Molybdenum, Nickel, Titanium, Vanadium, Polyethylene, Stainless Steel, and Silver. Of course all of these materials are in the prostheses, plates and screws from the jaw surgery and prostheses, and braces. My braces will be removed on June 6th after wearing them since 2003. This of course still leaves the plates/screws and prostheses. My oral surgeon elected not to try the antigens just yet because he feels I am allergic to too many metals for the antigens to have any benefit. The hope is once the braces are removed we may try the antigens and if this does not work he plans to possibly remove the prostheses with rib

grafts.

I am curious if there are any TMJ total joint replacement patients out there with sensitivities? Unfortunately, TMJ Concepts who makes the prostheses has nothing to offer to replace the prostheses with. I am told rib grafts for the TMJ joints tend to result in unfavorable outcomes.

I have already begun sorting through Titanium Dioxide products and attempting to replace with Titanium-free products. This is surely not an easy task since so many products and foods contain Titanium Dioxide.

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[Bertin76](#) May 25, 2011

My general practitioner tells me that at this point is not necessary yet to give me any medication for the thyroid inflammation other than some pain medication. I'm also taking additional Iodine pills.

But my muscles and intestinal symptoms persist. The bottom line is that the Titanium toxicity messed me up. Additionally, I still have nerve pain from the four very painful gum surgeries due to the fact the the surgeons who operated on me lacked knowledge of proper Lidocane application. In other words they injected very little of it and very fast and did not give enough time between the injections and the actual gum cutting procedure. They didn't wait for the full nerve block before the surgery..

All this despite the fact that I complained to the Head of the Department Dr. John Pfail about the horrible pain. He never told the surgeons anything and now I'm paying the consequences.

I'm putting all the medical papers together and see if I can sue them. Positively, I will make a complaint with the NYS Office of Professional Discipline not only because what they're doing is endangering people's health but having been told repeatedly about my symptoms and cited research done by Dr.Mercola and other Doctors about the toxicity of the Titanium,not only allergy, Dr. John Pfail send me from one allergist to another because he wanted written proof that I was allergic to Titanium before he agreed to have the implants removed.

Finally, only when Dr. Valentine-Thon of the Melisa Laboratory in NJ had a conversation with Dr.John Pfail of Mt. Sinai Hospital in NYC , after I took the blood tests, and after many insults by this Doctor Pfail and one of his no-good-nothing surgeons, Dr. Gregory Chotkowski, only then he removed the implants. The removal procedure took 5 minutes to remove five implants and with the sutures it took in all 10-15 minutes.They could have done it months earlier when I first complained about the toxicity of the implants and my debilitating symptom.

Actually, Dr. Gregory Chotkowski, the surgeon ,the day I went there for the removal suggested that I seek mental help guidance!!!! before going through with the procedure.So much for the professional standards required by Doctors!!!

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[smileynow](#) Jun 07, 2011

The suggestion that you seek mental help guidance is the proverbial icing on the cake from the docs who are ignoring this problem. If they don't acknowledge it, then they don't have to deal with it. The dentists can

continue installing hundreds of thousands of implants every year and figure most people won't have problems. For the unlucky few who are suffering, well, there must be something wrong with us. The only delusional thought I have had is that ALL dentists and doctors are healers.

Fortunately, I have found an enlightened M.D. who has realized I was suffering from low thyroid even though levels were borderline normal. At least it is some help while I figure what to about this implant irritating the sinus.

I hope you are feeling better.

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[smileynow](#) Jun 07, 2011

Hi, and thank you for posting. I was referred to physical therapy for the numbness also, as they believe there is an arthritic condition in the neck exacerbating the numbness. Do they ever ask why all this inflammation suddenly after the installation of a titanium implant? I guess that would be accepting responsibility for the fact that dental implants aren't a good thing for everyone. Thank you for the confirmation. I hope you are continuing to feel better.

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[smileynow](#) Jun 07, 2011

Thank you for all of the information you posted.

I have had success with a custom sinus/nasal irrigation with an antibiotic/antifungal and several homeopathic remedies. I fear it is a temporary fix as it is the implant irritating the sinus or an occult infection that they have yet to prescribe the right remedy for. You are right about the implant altering the landscape of the sinus! Now, if I can only get the right doc to fix the problem.

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[smileynow](#) Jun 09, 2011

Hi, Georek04. Thank you for your post about the Environmental Health Center in Dallas, as it looks like a source of information & help for people suffering from implant sensitivities.

A few weeks ago I did a search on TMJ sclerosis and titanium as many times I have TMJ pain, especially on this side of the implant. I wish I had saved the info. but I remember reading a about people with TMJ implants who

were very ill due to joint replacement of the TMJ. What a mess they were in! I hope you can find a remedy that doesn't put you in a worse state than you are now.

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[smileynow](#) Jun 11, 2011

In reading about human adjuvant disease (a disease associated with silicone breast implants) there are many similarities regarding the blood tests I have had, such as markers for antithyroid antibodies, elevated IgG IgA markers, and antinuclear antibodies. Some of the women with this disease also develop chronic inflammation & infection around the implants. This also sounds familiar.

It is amazing that the medical profession does not acknowledge the causal effect of implants and autoimmune disfunction in susceptible individuals. If you are one of the unfortunate souls whose body reacts in an unfavorable way to foreign materials, you will be labeled as a crazy. What is crazy is that they can deny not only the possibility, but the PROBABILITY that they actually induced illness in the people they were being paid to help. It is even more insane that the authorities (FDA,AMA,ADA,etc.) underwrite the deception employed on the public. Our tax dollars at work!

The afterlife will be a \*\*\*\*\* for these people, as their mouths will be implanted with titanium implants causing a range of miserable symptoms. They will be forced to empty their wallets to combat the miserable symptoms they endure. After that the implants will be removed and they can eat crow pudding.

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[Estring](#) Jun 12, 2011

Thanks you for your response. I had hoped this topic would flourish from those that had their implants removed and we would get some feedback and what to expect. But this has not been the case, but I will provide some information as best I can.

I had 4 99.8% titanium implants removed after 5 months with some moderate/severe neurological and sinus symptoms. The 1st 2 weeks, after about a 50% recovery after 1 day, I did show some improvements, but the next 3 weeks everything slowed down to a turtle's pace. The numbness in my feet and pain continues, much worse, after a few hours, after I go to bed. The pain is very slightly improving.

The insomnia persists. The chronic sinus problem has slightly improved, I have had about 2 days the last 3 weeks with the ringing of the ears, more bearable but the congestions persists. My ENT wanted me to hang on and get over the spring allergy season and will then do some surgery to clean out my sinuses as I have had a terrible problem since Feb. They did slightly improve after I had my implants out. I want to put this off as long as I can.

So, for the past 3 weeks, I do have a slight improvement, I have not gotten worse. So, I will accept this as a very slow process, taking many months, I assume.

I am awaiting the results of my immune testing which is due the end of June.

I have also signed up with a Physiatrist, a medical rehab specialist who deals with exercises and pain, they also deal with stimulus rx for pain and acupuncture. I have an appt in 3 weeks. I need some type of therapy for

my severe pain and numbness in my feet. The numbness hasn't improved at all. The neurologist told me it was Diabetes. How can one get Diabetes overnight?? So I refused to go there again and be told something just because they have no idea what they are talking about. Making up a DX like that is absurd. They do this when they have no idea what they are talking about..

I still continue with general muscle achiness, it goes from my upper back for 3 days, to my mid back or 3 days, to my low back for 3 days and then to my left shoulder and starts back around to my upper back and makes another rotation. The pain does get slightly less each trip!

The numbness in my feet is unchanged. I still feel like I am walking around with steel boots on.,

These are my main symptoms after 5weeks. I hope I get some slight improvement each week. I will take that.

I still remember how I felt 6 months ago, WOW what a difference!

Please try and keep this site up, I will.

THANKS for your input.

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[smileynow](#) Jun 12, 2011

You have my sympathy regarding the severe muscle aches and pain & numbness in the feet. In the last few weeks I have been able to stop taking Celebrex and am taking supplements for inflammation which are very helpful. The alternative M.D. has prescribed thyroid medication (only he saw a problem), which may also playing a part in reducing the aches and pains. Here is a list of what I am taking: Alpha-flex with omega 5e 500mg.--he suggested taking 6 capsules daily for 14 days and then dropping it to 3 capsules daily. From my own reading I have added MSM with molybdenum 1000mg. 3x/day, as well as vitamin K and D3 and ginger pills. It is encouraging to have improvement after months and months of feeling unwell! It seems the titanium and/or infection surrounding the implant really affected my thyroid, as it has some of the others on this thread.

Do they have lab work as proof of your diabetes diagnosis? They have been trying to put me into the M.S. bin though they cannot find evidence of it on an M.R.I. or neurological exam. Yeah, let's give me a chronic degenerative disease without any proof. I never had any numbness in the feet or chronic jaw/sinus pain until I had a titanium implant and unwarily followed it up with flu shots laden with mercury. There is your proof.

In reading about the human adjuvant disease (from silicone breast implants), many of those people do not automatically get well from simply removing the implants, either. It takes a while. Hopefully our stories will have happy endings and be of benefit to others.

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[Estring](#) Jun 14, 2011

I have a family history, my mother and father were adult onset diabetics, on a diabetic diet only, who had no symptoms like I do. My 3 month glucose for the past 5 years was borderline at 6.7. I had it checked again just before I saw the neurologist, was at 6.1. Even my primary couldn't understand the neurologist, came up with the diabetes dx. My fasting blood sugars are 125 and below (normal 80-120).

Something quite interesting though, although both my feet are extremely numb, feel like I am walking on pillows, when you stick pins into my entire foot, I feel every \*\*\*\*\*, which if it were really numb, I wouldn't feel the pricks. I guess it means the nerves are working fine and may at some point improve. This astonished the neurologist! I have slightly less burning pain in my feet, I don't wake up with the pain in the middle of the night as much. I still get some numbness in my legs during the night. It is a very very slow process these past 5 weeks.

I did have mild headaches from the day the implants went in but I haven't had too much of a problem with after I had the implants out.

I am assuming that all the neurological problems we are all having are from titanium, which caused us to have an immune deficiency problem. These symptoms are similar to heavy metal toxicity and some of the immune diseases, such as arthritis, MS, fibromyalgia. Our symptoms fit into the description of all of the above.

It also seems that those of us who write into this site are doing all the research and are the ones more capable of figuring out what the problem is because we are experiencing it, not the doctors!

My ENT, when I saw him just before the implants were removed, who also had no idea that I was having them, told me "Never get implants if you have sinus problems." He refused to do surgery until I had them out. He also told me he had patients with all sorts of mouth problems because of Crest toothpaste and had another patient who had trouble with denture paste with zinc in it. He told me he was concerned with my case and titanium implants that he was using titanium in a number of his patients when he did ear surgery. He said he wondered if the titanium could cause problems for his patients.

Also, both my dentist and oral surgeon believed me because they both saw me from up and about without any problems to dam near crippled over and debilitated to, when the implants were removed, seeing me up and walking without difficulty.

I am presently taking, Vit D, Vit B complex, Vit. C, known for helping to detox., magnesium, and calcium. I take Ibuprofen once in awhile, it causes stomach irritation so I can't take too often, this does help with the pain. But it also increases the ringing of the ears.

I am trying to be optimistic and work hard to find some answers, now to improve my situation everyday. So far, I am doing OK but very slowly and will continue to push myself.

Estring

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[Bertin76](#) Jun 19, 2011

Hi to all. Just a few words. I have to say that despite the fact that I had my Toxic Titanium Implants removed I've not yet regained my health as it used to be. Yes, it's better than before but I feel weak and have not regained any weight. Still dealing with digestive problems because that metal taste from the titanium and nickel for so long in my mouth went through my throat and way down the stomach and intestines. Still have muscle aches and general ill feeling and have to take pain medication if I want to have some relief. I wish we could put these charlatan Dentists out of business and possibly in JAIL because these legal criminals are ruining the lives of too many people. I would like to add something else: Understand that every person who undergoes these toxic implants is going to get sick. It's not only just a few or 5% as they want us to believe. The fact is that the rest of the people have no clue that their illnesses are caused by these implants.

Take care.



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[hopefulinSJ](#) Jun 21, 2011

Just an update on my status. Overall I feel a lot better than I did before I had the implant removed (I had the implant for 4 years) in Jan 2011. I am still not 100% but my Dr said it would take approx 6 months of treatment before I was back to normal, and for me that is October. Just to recap, prior to getting the implant I was already unknowingly infected with Lyme, Bartonella, Babesia, Erlichiosis, Mycoplasma and c. pneumonia but I was not symptomatic. The implant caused my body to go into a tizzy and then I became very ill. The implant also perforated my maxillary sinus and I subsequently developed a fungal infection. I was finally diagnosed with all of these infections in April 2011 and am responding well to treatment. I have been doing a lot of reading about microbial infections and I was pretty shocked to find out that most people have infections that they don't know about and that these infections have been linked to autoimmune diseases, which is where I was headed. I wanted to provide information here as it seems like so many of us are going through the same thing and most doctors are not literate at all on the subject, including infectious disease specialists. It seems the implant gives these infections a place to flourish which would explain why some people don't seem to be ill with implants. Here is info on mycoplasma <http://www.rain-tree.com/myco.htm>

Here is info on Lyme and other neurotoxin mediated diseases <http://www.betterhealthguy.com/joomla/images/stories/PDF/klingshardt%20-%20a%20unique%20healer.pdf>

My dr follows a protocol developed by Dr Klinghardt, who is doing amazing work/research.

Best of luck to everyone



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[smileynow](#) Jun 22, 2011

Thank you for letting us know your status. There are others (Serbin, Cascpa) who removed their implants some time ago as well, and it would be good to know if they have continued to improve. It is too bad removing the implants did not net you a total improvement, but it sounds like it gave you a start.

Have you tried any alternative or integrative M.D.s? So far it is where I have received the most help. The 5 weeks of U.V. blood irradiation & ozone for infection helped & then adding the digestive enzymes designed to inhibit biofilm formation helped as well. I have much in common with hopefulinSJ in that there is an infective component and that my maxillary sinus was perforated during the procedure. Finding a competent practitioner who can help is a challenge when you are not like everyone else. Right now (at this moment), my implant feels fine, but I still have the odd sensation in the feet and numbness in the legs and an odd array of immune activity in blood work without a explanation for any of it. My guess is that it is a combination of pre-existing subclinical infection/s, a tendency toward autoimmune dysfunction, allergies, and then an overload of toxins (flu shots, dental implant, amalgam fillings) put me over the edge. I am grateful for the help received so far, but still have a ways to go.

The other thought that comes to mind is the NICO diagnosis that was mentioned to me by a D.O. who is also a dentist. He wanted to remove a good portion of my jaw bone and prescribe heavy duty iv antibiotics. The NICO lesions can be toxic to the body and produce unrelenting jaw and facial pain. The NICO diagnosis has not been embraced by mainstream dentistry, as they would have to admit that the standard of care is actually inducing disease in certain people. I have read that some of the dentists who perform cavitation surgery have clinics designed to address the systemic issues created by these jaw lesions. Hopefully we won't have to go to such extremes!

The Environmental Center in Dallas, TX (posted by Georgek04) also looks like a source for help. HopefulinSJ looks like she is getting somewhere with her treatment. I hope you don't give up--someone will help you. The challenge is finding them!

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[Bertin76](#) Jun 22, 2011

Thanks for your advice and for your encouraging words. I understand that I'm not feeling as I used to but I have to tell you that I'm relieved that I don't have to deal with that poison of Titanium in my mouth anymore,

What has aggravated the all thing is that the Dentists were reluctant in removing the implants and made me wait out month before it was actually done and this was after Dr. Elizabeth Valentine-Thon of the Melisa Laboratory of NJ called the Head dentist at the Hospital to tell her story.

Even then I had to wait more weeks for the actual removal. Basically now my body is still fighting off whatever damage the implants did and I hope that it will in time get rid of the side effects and leftover toxicity. Hope that this mess did not generate any lasting health problem.

I also hope that you find the right formula or treatment for your condition because you've been dealing with it for a too long time now.

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[smileynow](#) Jun 24, 2011

You are right about dealing with this for too long! I can tell you something has stopped the itching feeling on the back and arms--it is either the thyroid medication or the anti-infectives used in the sinus rinse. What a long and convoluted story. Like a bad dream.

It would be so great if there were a concerned group of doctors who would recognize and define the symptoms we are experiencing. Better yet, develop an effective treatment for it. Even 3% of the population is quite a bit when you think of how many people who are getting titanium implants. Now, if they were to patent a drug or something specifically designed to treat this problem, well then, there might be a financial reason to recognize us. Until then, we have to help ourselves.

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[jerandi](#) Jul 16, 2011

My therapist said the doctors don't pay attention to these forums. They say only negative people post on these forums. I'm not negative. I just want pre-implant health back. Why is it they don't read these forums? How do we get heard before an epidemic begins. I am done infectious disease and now referred to rheumatologist. Mouth sores not so severe. There, but do not need to treat. Stomache? I'm doing spoke cider vinegar and true natural honey. Sinuses... The rinse and the apple cider vinegar helps clear it up. I am not ignoring what is irritating me. I'm trying hard not to be afraid. I hope the removal will eventually return me to prior health. My ANA and C3 are elevated. I do not have Lupus. So we go from having infected teeth to now studying medical subjects to fix problems we never had prior to dental implants. By the way, apparently while at dentist removing a tooth, my husband had the implant post put in. My therapist doesn't want me to over-react. These issues may not happen to him. What??? Why did he do it you ask? He was under anesthesia and typically did not call me to discuss. He didn't want to lose more teeth and the dentist said it would be easier to have it inserted that day ....

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[Gericol](#) Jul 17, 2011

This is not a NEGATIVE site, actually a very POSITIVE site. This is a site for anyone who have been through HELL with implants or with TITANIUM, or any METAL, like myself, who are trying to be positive and get help for themselves and for others with the same problem.

I had 4 implants done on 11/10 with very serious neurological, muscular, GI,etc. which started 1 week after implants were put in and weakness so severe, it crippled me. Both the dentist and oral surgeon were made aware of my problem with METAL before the implants.. But both assured me Titanium wouldn't be a problem. They were so WRONG.

But, I am persistant and never once did I give up or agree with any of the Medical people I met with over the past 4 years. THE DON'T KNOW ANYTHING about METAL TOXICITY.

But we do! And we are going to win, because we know more than them. So be proud of yourselves for what you are doing.

Now, 4 1/2 months after my implant removal, this past week I have started to see changes. Luckily, I have an ENT, who has told me he has recently received information on problems with TITANIUM, who agreed that the implants caused my my sinus problems.

My severely numb feet, I was told by a Neurologist that it was from Diabetes, is starting to decrease, my heels are less numb and my feet aren't as numb, my leg weakness, which I was told was Diabetes, has decreased. Diabetes doesn't work this way!

I am starting to sleep 3-4 hours at a time instead of being awake all night like I was for 8 months. My ringing of the ears, now every few days, it has quieted down, but still needs improvements, my sore throat is slightly less. My abdominal spasms, which were really severe has lessened.

Time to let the AMA and ADA know what has happened to us. Write to them in your state, let them know what happened to you. Don't be silent! They can't help us or anyone else if we don't communicate what has happened to all of us. BE POSITIVE like you have been.

Europe had numerous complaints over a decade ago with TITANIUM, why hasn't our FDA been on top of this?

FIGHT BACK and BE HEARD!

Estring

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[smileynow](#) Jul 19, 2011

Negative? Imagine if you could charge \$3000.00 for a 45 minute procedure that left 95% of your customers satisfied. Why would you want to trouble yourself with the small percentage who have trouble with the procedure or materials? The problem is this small percentage is growing just as the total number of implants installed is also growing, and we are going to demand to be heard. Nobody wants to be sick, complain, or spend their time and money trying to get their health back, but that is the unfortunate position we have all found ourselves in. They do not want to acknowledge the facts of metal toxicity or sensitivity because they want to go on making money and deny any liability for the harm they have caused. It is also due to the fact that none of this is taught in medical or dental schools (which in part are funded by pharmaceutical & other money making medical entities). It seems the knowledge they are fed by these medical institutions leaves little room for critical or independent thought. I just love it when a practitioner says "the studies say....." or "the latest recommendation by the AMA is....." Who do you think sponsors the studies? How many clinical trials are there on treatments or drugs that will not produce big profits for the big industry of healthSCARE?

Estring, I would like to know the info. your ENT has on the negative effect of titanium on the sinus. Maybe I could show it to the ENT docs I have consulted with. Also, why have our dentists not been learning from what has been going on in Europe? Is there a way to get the statistics of what has been going on in Europe and apply it to practice over here? Are we an island?!

Have any of you heard of health testing centers? If you look it up online--they offer testing for blood levels of heavy metals such as lead, mercury, and titanium. They have a phone # you can call to consult with a nurse, but I suspect also a salesperson. LOL my old man was right--there is a conspiracy to get your money!

Hang tough and please keep posting on your progress.

I am still living with my implant, but feel lots better due to many supplements and drugs taken to combat the constant infection where the sinus was perforated during the implant procedure. I am thankful for the progress I have made and have not given up on the goal of complete recovery.

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[smileynow](#) Jul 20, 2011

--The supplements that have helped the most would be 1000 mg MSM w molybdenum 3x/day, Klaire Labs interfase + enzyme supplement EDTA blend 2x/day with marcozyme pills and vitamin K/D3. The EDTA blend and marcozyme was given by a physician but the others recommended by a guy with a cane at Whole Foods. Go figure. They have all helped.

Now I have been reading the above are useful in metal toxicity. Hmmmm....

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[KitKat22](#) Jul 27, 2011

Hi,

I have a story that I hope some of you can relate to. I got 2 titanium implants put in my lower jaw 3 years ago. About 5 months after getting these in and started to feel burning in both sides of my cheeks. I also got a cyst on both sides of my face where the implants are located. The ENT doctor put me on antibiotics. After 6 weeks and I still wasn't feeling relief I got a CT scan of my whole head. Everything was completely clear. Since then I've been to numerous doctors, have had blood tests done and everything shows up fine. The burning in my cheeks got worse over the years and now I get headaches as well. It all started 4-5 months after getting these implants in...coincidence, I starting to think not! I haven't done the Melisa test because I can't find a doctor to prescribe it! I have decided to get these implants out and it is scheduled for next week. I have had nothing but trouble since these were put in. My doctor thinks it's impossible. but is willing to take them out since I've done everything else and it hasn't worked. My gut tells me I have a sensitivity to titanium or possibly a mild allergy, but it has gotten progressively worse over these 3 years and is all localized in my cheeks and forehead. I do have inflammation as well. Anyone have a similar experience? I can't wait to get these out. I truly believe it is the cause since everything else has been ruled out and I never experienced any of this before the implants. Let me know your thoughts! Thanks.

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[smileynow](#) Jul 28, 2011

It seems there is no end to the symptoms to be caused by these dental implants. It is a hard situation to be in because it does not appear to be a commonly recognized phenomena, nor do all of us have the same symptoms. Maybe we are the lucky to have symptoms in the vicinity of the implants, as otherwise we wouldn't make the connection.

I too have inflammation all over, but without an increased sedimentation rate to prove it. In addition there is a smoldering infection/irritation/inflammation in the sinus over the implant that mainstream medicine has been loathe to recognize. Thankfully I have been receiving help from M.D.s who have grown tired of insurance companies and others dictating treatment protocol for financial and political reasons.

Next week I will be seeing a periodontist who has experience in removing implants. I hope to regain my health and post progress in order to encourage others who may be in a similar circumstance.

Good luck next week, and please post your progress. Others who have posted on this site have had their implant/s removed and it would be so good to know of their long-term progress. Some of them haven't posted beyond a week or two after removal.

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[KitKat22](#) Jul 29, 2011

The more I look up these titanium implants the more I find studies showing how bad they are for the human body. Of course there's the occasional person who has them all their life and is fine just as there's that person who smokes all their life and lives to be 90.

The worst place to have metal is actually in your mouth because it is close to your brain, the saliva helps activate the ion conductivity in the metal, etc. I will warn you that the periodontist you are going to see will probably discourage you from the surgery if the implant looks fine (which I think you said earlier that the implant itself was ok) but don't let him/her. The removal surgery actually only takes about 45 minutes and my doctor said the down time is about 4 days! So don't let anyone discourage you. Remember, at the end of the day you're dealing with the pain not them. That's when I finally came to the conclusion that I refuse to keep going down this spiral and my gut tells me I need to get these things out and that they are the core cause! My doctor said it's not possible and that titanium is basically inert. Sand is also inert, but I don't want that in my body. Doctors only know what they're taught and the occasional outlier doesn't matter to them. I have friends and neighbors that are doctors and they have even told me that if it was them they would take out the implants too.

I am confident that my body will heal quickly once the foreign object is out and I just started taking holistic medicine to detox me and speed up the process. Good luck on your appointment and I hope you make the right decision for you. Let me know of any progress! I will keep you updated on mine :)

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[smileynow](#) Jul 30, 2011

In a preliminary discussion with the Dr.(he hasn't yet examined me) he says he will probably need to patch the hole with cadaver bone. He does not use the bovine grafting material that was used in my first procedure and has found instances where it never really does absorb, as we have been told. Did any of you have to get additional bone grafting after implant removal?

At this point I do not want anything in my body that is not mine. A friend of ours who had a cadaver bone graft on his hip ended up losing his spleen as the surgery/and or material triggered some kind of an autoimmune reaction in his blood. There is a history of autoimmunity in my family and we now know (since the implant) I can have a tendency to it also. What I need is to get all this crap out and heal, not add more materials that could possibly add to my problems. Geeze! We'll see how the appointment goes.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Aug 01, 2011

I was told I would need a bone graft after extraction and at the urging of MaryAnn (Serbin on here) went to her surgeon who doesn't do grafts. His feeling is that if one's body rejected the implant it would likely not do well with a graft or any foreign body, including grafting from my own bone. Makes a lot of sense. I did indeed have a hole in my sinus after extraction but it healed, just need to keep it clean. The drs can monitor the progress of the hole closing with a cone beam ct scan but it can be difficult to find a dr with the machine. They try to talk you into the graft by stating that if you ever get another implant there won't be enough bone there to make it stable. I am never getting another implant. They will also tell you that if you leave a hole between the oral cavity and the sinus you will have chronic infections, which would be true if the hole didn't seal. Your body is able to do the repair work on it's own as long as it is kept clean. Bone is living tissue that regenerates. I had a cone beam ct scan done just to ensure the hole was healing.

Keep us posted on your progress, I am very interested to know how you feel after extraction. Good luck

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[Estring](#) Aug 02, 2011

HI everyone,

Just want to update everyone on my progress, my last post I stated it was 4 1/2 months, but I made a mistake it was 2 1/2 months. Please forgive me.

It is now a little over 3 months since my removal of 4 upper implants I had removed 4 months after placement and removal.

I now have no bowel spasms, they were so severe, I doubled over with the pain.

My lower, mid and upper back pain is now just upper neck pain with stiffness.

My muscle aches are slowly easing but are still there.

My severe 6 month long sinus infection, which I was going to schedule for surgery, has been cancelled as my symptoms are gone. My ENT told me I should never have had implants because of my chronic sinus infection,



which by the way was only 2 years old and due to a dentist who failed to remove an infected tooth!

Smiley now,

I did not have a bone graft when they were removed, I did have a bone graft for 1 of my implants, it failed, I can't say one way or the other, but in my case, it didn't work and I had the implants out without any difficulty in less than 1/2 hour without any complications, I cannot help you with that decision. I healed fine without any difficulties.

As far as the sinuses goes, ENT was right, leave all alone and let nature take its course and I am doing well now, Thank God, he knew what he was talking about. He is from a Major Hospital in a Major City and from a Major Medical School. He was wonderful! Go to a Major Hospital in a large city for the same care, ask for the Chief of ENT and go from there if you continue with problems.

I am stuck with an upper denture and hate it but so glad I had the implants out!

As far as getting the implants out, go for it. I never got worse, am slowly getting better.

Hang in there.

Estring

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[Bertin76](#) Aug 21, 2011

Hi to you and all. Have no patience to go through all of the above posts. Can you tell me if you removed your implants or not. Are you still holding on? As you may remember I finally had all of my five implants removed and what a difference ...but those Dentists lied and lied and messed up my health. But I'm not anymore with those excruciating side effects and although weaker and slender, yes that poison made me loose a lot of weight, I feel better.

I want to add that I still have nerve pain from the four operations and this is because the surgeons there didn't inject enough Lidocaine all around and at the incision place and didn't wait enough time for the full nerve block to take place.

So much for a Dental School where surgeons teach!

Take care.

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[smiley now](#) Aug 23, 2011

Hi there & thanks so much for updating on your progress. I can't remember--but did you have nerve pain in your legs & feet also? If so, is that better?

I am still holding on with this damned implant, but did get some honest advice from a periodontist out of the

area. He said I was not a good candidate for an implant because my sinus cavities are so low and that the bone is so thin he would not have considered me a good candidate for an implant in the first place. He also does not use the bovine bone grafting material used for my bone graft and considers it "crap". He has seen cases where the bovine grafting material looks fine on an x-ray but has not actually integrated with the bone and when removed comes out in shales or pieces. He also thought that when the sinus cavity was perforated that it may not have healed correctly being I remember sneezing after the procedure and bits of bone coming out of my nose. Using cpap therapy where your nose and sinuses have air delivered under pressure in order to keep the airway stented is also something that would have hindered normal healing. I would have loved to have him take all the damned crap out of my jaw then & there only he thought there would be too big of a defect left and wanted to patch it with cadaver bone, and he was pretty adamant it needed to be patched and that I did not have enough bone to do it with.

Knowing how my body reacts to foreign substances I do not think this is a good idea. I am going to find someone who can take it out and leave nothing or find a doc who does alot of autogenous bone grafting, where your own bone is used. Another possibility is the neuralgia induced cavitation theory. This is something also denied by many dentists, but a growing number of dentists are treating this condition. Right now I have to irrigate my sinus every night with an antifungal and antimicrobial wash. Fungus grows on dead things, so maybe the bone is dead--I don't know.

I would like to know how someone who posted--I think cascpa431 or something like that is doing, & serbin.

Meanwhile I am happy to at least get some relief with the nasal irrigations and supplements--I was actually able to stop taking Celebrex, and instead using a supplement called Alpha flex, as well as MSM with molybdenum, vitamins, D, K, B, & ginger, which is antiinflammatory. I was also given some thyroid medication by an m.d who practices alternative medicine. --I am probably spending 1-200\$/month on supplements, but what can you do? They help.

I will keep you posted. I pray my sinus will return to normal once the bone grafting material comes out. The only time my head feels totally good is when taking antibiotics and antifungals at the same time. I hate this P.O.S. and wish it would just fall out or that God would see fit to practice some devine intervention and make it disappear!!

Take care.:~))

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[KitKat22](#) Aug 25, 2011

Hi all,

So it will be 3 weeks tomorrow since I got my 2 implants out (which I had for 4 years). The procedure went very well. I did not get a bone graft because I don't need another issue from that! Even though my oral surgeon doubted that taking them out would get rid of my pain he also agreed not to do a bone grafting just in case. I can feel a difference. Before I couldn't move my forehead (it was stiff and hurt too much), couldn't smile because my cheeks felt like they were burning and hurt, my hands started to feel like arthritis really bad, my feet and right leg kept going numb, my face was becoming swollen. All this started very very gradually and got worse over the years. I am so glad I found this chat group. I can actually move my forehead and it doesn't hurt as bad, my cheeks still burn but not all the time and not as extreme, the swelling in my face is almost gone (and I'm talking about the swelling in my face before the surgery!), my arthritis in my hands is gone, I still get tingly in my hands and feet (but not bad). Overall, I can feel a difference! I'm still in pain and when I'm under stress it flares up even more, but it's getting better! Dr. Valentine (in NJ) said a rule of thumb is you should feel a difference

after 2 weeks and if it's in deep tissue it will take longer. Whoever still has their implant in and feels bad now. I am telling you it will only get worse if you leave it in. If I would have waited 4 more days I would have been in the hospital under morphine. Once it's out your body will reverse itself, but it takes time (unfortunately....) Sometimes another month can feel like forever for me right now, but I'm trying to stay positive that I will just keep getting better. Anyone with advice is grealy appreciated! I will let you all know how I'm doing in the next 2-3 weeks. I don't think anyone should have these in. I just met someone who got an implant in and got bladder cancer 5 years later and he told me that he knows it was from the implant and is getting it removed now! Hope this info helps everyone. God Bless and share your stories. Thanks.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 28, 2011

Hello and thank you for sharing your story. It is encouraging that your health has improved after only 3 weeks and that it took 4 years to get you miserable enough to take the buggers out.

Right now I have an appt. to have a consult on Sept. 26th and tentative removal of the implant on Sept. 27th. One thing that may be bothering me as much as the implant is the bovine grafting material intruding into the maxillary sinus. I pray they can get all this crap out and I can get on with life!!

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[KitKat22](#) Aug 29, 2011

Estring: Just wondering how you are feeling now? I think it's been almost another month for you?! I hope your symptoms are completely gone! It would make me feel better knowing someone who has recovered or almost there anyway. I am counting each day from the day these implants ahve been out (used to be each hour, lol).

smileynow: I am glad you have an appiontment to get the implant out! It's obviuos your body and sinus is having a seriuous reaction to the metal. there was someone in this chat who had a similar issue with their sinus cavity being punctured and I believe they didn't get the bovine grafting and that the hole healed itself relatively fast. Obviously, I don't know how severe the puncture is for the doctor to want to seal it, but maybe you should call that oral surgeon in Maryland (I believe). He's mentioned very early in the chat and maybe he can look at your x-rays. the chances of your body rejecting the bovine grafting is small, but so was what happened to all of us! It took a number of events and a LOT of pain to figure it out myself because all the doctors I went to said it was impossible! Ha. They were sooo wrong and I can't wait until I'm 100% again because I'm going to call and mail my story to them and get it out there for others. There's an article I want you to read (maybe you've already done so), but it is factual and proves our assuptions and what we all have been through and already know. Here's the article link I think you'll enjoy. [http://www.ehow.com/about\\_5647775\\_allergic-reaction-dental-implants.html](http://www.ehow.com/about_5647775_allergic-reaction-dental-implants.html) - read the "scientific Study Results" section.

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[smileynow](#) Sep 08, 2011

As I told you all before I have been getting relief from the pain and infected feeling with various antimicrobial sinus rinses for months. Well, that remedy has stopped working--I assume the microbes have developed resistance. Now I am orally taking antibacterial and antifungal medications, which I know are toxic for the liver. It is the only treatment that gives me relief from the dental sinus pain as well as nasal swelling that severely limits the ability to get any sleep. Right now I have an appointment on the 27th to get the implant out. I pray he can remedy the sinus while he is getting the bone graft out. I know and have known for over a year now that there is an infective component to what is ailing me but have been dismissed because of a low sed-rate and normal white blood cell count. This has been the most frustrating, infuriating and expensive two years of my life.

I really wish this would happen to just one of the arrogant jerks who have dismissed me as a "head case." They so deserve it, & more!

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[Bertin76](#) Sep 10, 2011

It would be so great if there were a concerned group of doctors who would recognize and define the symptoms we are experiencing. Better yet, develop an effective treatment for it. Even 3% of the population is quite a bit when you think of how many people who are getting titanium implants. Now, if they were to patent a drug or something specifically designed to treat this problem, well then, there might be a financial reason to recognize us. Until then, we have to help ourselves.

Sorry for the delay but I had other problems to deal with. You mention about the 3% of people having side effects from these Toxic Titanium Implants. Well, don't be fooled by these low numbers because that's not the truth. Then truth is that all of those who go through these implants are going to get sick. All of them.

What is surprising is that only a few of them will make a connection between all of their physical problems and the Titanium Implants. This is the truth.

You asked if I had nerve pain and yes I d

had and still have nerve pain but in the area of the gums where they cut without injecting the appropriate amount of Lidocaine and without waiting enough time between the actual injection of the agent and the operation itself.

I felt a lot of pain during all of the four or five gum operations which I had. Excruciating pain I should say.

I'm glad that you have finally come to the conclusion that it's best for you to have the implant removed. I hope that everything will come out right for you.

I want to add that the Surgeons at the Hospital used the cadaver bone as a graft without telling me what they were doing and I found that out long after they did it and I was very upset about it.

When finally I told them to remove the Titanium Implants, because of the terrible side effects, I also told them to also remove the cadaver bone. To my surprise he told me that by now the cadaver bone had been replaced by my own bone. He followed by saying that the cadaver bone was used as a way to "stimulate" my own bone growth and that was it. I don't know if this is true as they have lied and lied to me and proved them to be wrong and liars.

I wish you and all of you well.

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[Bertin76](#) Sep 10, 2011

smileynow, the above post was meant as an answer to your question.

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[smileynow](#) Sep 22, 2011

Oh a solution can't come soon enough for me. Next week going to see an ENT and oral surgeon. Hopefully they can figure a solution and put an end to this misery!!! I would love to have good news to report.

My dog sitter, who must be 70+, has 4 titanium implants. She loves them. She has had them for 4 years and noticed no ill effects to her health. What gives? I hope she stays healthy!

How are you? What if you have a cavitation or some lingering infection? Do you think that is what could be bothering you in addition to the metal exposure you had? What about trying some of those supplements that are supposed to help your body rid itself of heavy metals? The msm with molybdenum has helped me and the chlorella is supposed to be good. Do you think you would be worse if you just kept the damned implants?

Thanks for your good wishes!

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[Bertin76](#) Sep 22, 2011

From what I understand by now it's better to have the implants removed. The body just doesn't want these foreign toxic substances. As for your dog sitter "loving the implants" it's a puzzle.

She may have side effects from them but she thinks that what is troubling here comes from something else! Same as I thought.

I don't believe that much that your proposed therapies using natural remedies will do anything to me. I will just let nature go its course and see how I will feel later on. I don't think that I have anything else apart from the residual side effects of the Titanium and Nickel, two known toxic materials.

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[pax9608](#) Sep 23, 2011

Hi All,

I'm new to this community but grateful to have discovered. Had implant placed in lower jaw in April 2011 and had implant removed last week after similar problems as expressed by KitKat22 on this forum. Had oral surgeon show me implant after removal and bottom half (of a normall pewter colored implant) was black. This

suggests my body was rejecting something.

Having good/bad days - but it's only been a week. Had bio-energetic testing performed which showed high on metals so I'm on a homeopathic detox which DOM said could take a couple of months for any positive results.

Wish everyone good thoughts with their decision process to have implant removed.

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[smileynow](#) Sep 23, 2011

Thanks for stating it plainly. Titanium and nickel are toxic elements. Yes. It is crazy that the medical profession is ignoring this plain and simple fact. Advancements in science apparently do not always correlate with common sense. Why exactly would you take potentially toxic elements and install them into the body? What is worse is that the people who manifest symptoms after installing dental implants are ignored or denied.

Thanks for your support.

I hope by next Wednesday I am minus an implant and can start the healing, especially in the sinus where it never should have been in the first place.

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[Serbin](#) Sep 24, 2011

Hello is Serbin,

I have not commented in a long time. It has been a year since I had my implants out. Luckily, I noticed the problem immediately after my one implant was put into my jaw. The dentist did a beautiful job inserting it and all went well. Except I noticed over the next few weeks my joints and nerves in my body were hurting and aching and in the morning it was getting more and more difficult getting out of bed.

although everyone kept saying "no, this can't be the implant" I knew right away something was wrong and getting worse. Found the right dentist who felt this was always a possibility and had lots of experience removing implants.

Bottom line, he took it out in a total of 40 minutes, sign in and walking out of office. I felt better and better each day. Best thing I ever did.

I found out right after the post was put in and I started feeling bad that it had titanium in it. Shocked to find this out because I am allergic to titanium dioxide in medicine.

So if you had a titanium post put in and are feeling bad within two weeks of implant.....  
GET IT OUT. Your pain and suffering will only get worse with time. If you are thinking of getting an implant DO NOT GET ONE. Make sure you are well informed before you decide

to have one implanted. When they work, they are fabulous. When they cause problems and reactions, then they are your worst nightmare.

Wishing everyone peace of mind and a relaxed, pain free body,  
Serbin

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[Serbin](#) Sep 24, 2011

Veronica,

You called me at home, but never left me your return phone number.

I will gladly answer any questions you have. Just call me back.

If you need my number again, just look back in the long list of messages and you will find it listed.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Maryann

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[blondiequeen](#) Sep 27, 2011

.Hello,

First of all thank you ALL for posting here and for making your troubles regarding the titanium side effects heard. It takes time and courage for one to share this info and be kind enough to warn other people about the possible side effects of a titanium dental implant.

My question is: Do you know if a zirconium implant will be a better choice versus a Titanium implant or the damage of an implant is bad....period...no matter what material it is made of?

I am asking because I am researching this subject for months now and I KNOW, in Europe now (I was born there but had been living in North America for many many years) dentists use more and more the zirconium implants.

My main problem is making this decision of having...or not the titanium dental implants put in this December. I have already gotten my bone graft operation (done in E. Europe, by a great team of surgeons, the cost is a quarter of what would have cost me here). Now, I am healing from the bone grafting operation and I must go back for the titanium implants. The problem is...I MUST GET 11 (ELEVEN) IMPLANTS and I am absolutely torn if I should do it or not. I have just turned 35 years old and I have a small child to care for and I don't want to have beautiful teeth at the expense of my...good health.

I tried to ease my doubts with a MELISA test but it takes forever to get in touch with someone there and this morning, after two months of trying in vain to get in touch with them, by phone or emails, I just made it to talk to someone over the phone and this lady-almost rudely-told me they do not have the MELISA test available in Canada, "try it in the USA" she said and then "bye"....she hung up the phone. I don't think I have time to research "someone in USA" who will order this test for me...or whatever the procedure is.



However, I am still debating whether should I get the 11 TITANIUM implants (they apparently are made by NOBEL Bio-Alpha I think is called and they are Titanium Grade 5-containing vanadium and aluminium beside titanium) or should I research a doctor who will use zirconium implants?? Or dental implants could cause severe side effects no matter what the material they are made of?

I am torn with this decision... I am still young, I used to model until not long ago, I have a very public life and I need to somehow solve these dental issues as I hate the thought of getting dentures at this age.

I have only the 6 front teeth and wisdom teeth REAL in my mouth, up and down on my jaw, everything else was covered by bridges which failed recently because the teeth underneath supporting them went bad and they were extracted, I am now healing these as well. Hence the massive dental bone loss which I have hopefully managed to help by having these dental grafts already (and I might have to get also a sinus lifting).

If I am not getting implants, I cant get any bridges as they have no support at all and the dental bone will continue to dissappear. I am absolutely lost.

NOTE: During the bone grafting operation I was advised that I got two small titanium screws "to keep the new bone in place" (the grafts were autogene, my own chin bone mixed with 1.5 grams of...."other-artificial" bone). Anyway, its been a month since I have gotten the grafts and these two "small titanium screws" in my mouth and I am experiencing some weird rash like-bumpy skin looking on my lower sides of cheeks and neck. The grafts were done in my lower jaw-on both sides. I also experience sinus congestion (although I have always had it before also with the nickel/crom porcelain bridges) but this time I feel it stronger, I am congested and I am also bleeding a bit when trying to clear my nose. I am also more tired and I cant fall asleep easily. Now, its easy to say that I am tired caring and running around after my toddler but still...could these symptoms be a sign that I AM truly allergic to titanium already? I am soooo so lost....My legs and bones also are sore, but not so much more than before (I used to always get sore muscle and bones when the weather changes) so the "feeling" now is similar...Not sure what to think of.

Any advices or opinions would be greatly appreciate it. Thank you all very much for making your voices heard out there! I truly apologize for this long comment!

God bless you all and a great health I wish you all!

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Sep 27, 2011

Just an update and some very important info. I had my implant removed 8 months ago and most of my symptoms resolved, but I still have had chronic sinus problems. My implant perforated my sinus cavity and I have learned that fully curing infection (treated for bacteria, fungus, yeast and mold) is near impossible after having an implant. My Dr told me that as a result of the implant I have a smoldering infection (which can happen even if implant doesnt perf sinus as well as from root canals) that produces very powerful toxins, some that are carcinogenic. He said that there is an infectious agent in implant and root canals that make people very ill (headaches, fatigue, sinus infections, immune dysfunction) that are often overlooked.

None of the treatments have cured my infection so my Dr is trying something very cutting edge. Today he injected ozone into the space where the implant was, which should kill any type of infection. It may take a few injections to fully clear it. I will keep you posted on how this works.

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[Estrine](#) Sep 29, 2011

I just wrote a huge note and it didn't post as I think it was because I didn't sign in first. So before I write another one I will just leave a small note and get back in a few days.

Sick past month, on Augmentin, Pepcid, Lasix. Numerous symptoms similar to heavy metal /titanium toxicity. Just found out from Pharmacist Augmentin and Pepcid has titanium in them, not lasix, those symptoms were different from the other 2.

Had CT Scan with dye (Barium sulfate). Just looked it up and it is a heavy metal made with titanium (gives it the white color) I stopped as much meds and milk, toothpaste with titanium in it and did better. Most of my symptoms have disappeared until 1 month ago and got sick with a sinus infection and started with Augmentin and snowballed with symptoms. Now I realize these are the same symptoms I had with heavy metals and titanium implants. So be careful of CT dye, never had a problem with it before, now it's a different story.

Pharmacy will check for titanium in meds if MD writes TITANIUM FREE.

I got even better after switching from skin milk (titanium in it to make it white) to whole milk, changed toothpaste, and stopped using over the counter meds that have titanium in it.

Still feeling very ill, it's been only a few days since my CT Scan and stoppage of meds. I ended up in the hospital and MD's took me off all meds and are restarting over.

Will get back soon.

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hopefulinSJ: my sinus problems started with a tooth infection and a root canal!!!!!!

blondiegirl: Titanium testing is helpful if you have an allergy to it, it is not helpful if you are toxic like some of us are. I would be very hesitant if I were you to get the implants. I had mine out and now have a denture and I hate it, it will be a tough decision for you. There are problems with Zirconium implants too. Do more research.

Thanks everyone, this site is so helpful

Estrine

3 class action suits now for Dupuy hip implants, transvaginal mesh and mesh used in hernia surgeries. They all are made of titanium!

Will get back soon.

Estrine

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[smileynew](#) Sep 30, 2011

You are in a hard situation as losing bone in your jaw has some unsettling consequences for as far as the appearance is concerned. Are you saying that you are already having some unexplained physical symptoms due to the surgery you have had so far? I too had aching feet and knees as well as itching on the back and legs soon after the single titanium implant with sinus lift and bone graft. At the time it did not occur to me there was a connection, but now you have to wonder.

I am the person (former curedsoon) who started this thread and still have the implant as they are much easier to install rather than extract. Last week I traveled out of state to the surgeon who I thought would remove it and he didn't as he is concerned that I could end up in a worse situation than I am now as far as the sinus is concerned. He referred me to an ENT for evaluation and now I will be getting another CT scan before anything can be done.

If I had known all I know now I would NEVER get another titanium implant. It is my opinion that people with a family history of autoimmune and allergy problems are better off without foreign objects put in their bodies. Prior to the implant I had a long list of allergies and sensitivities which have increased after the implant surgery. From what I have read metal implants are not biologically inert--do a google search on the electrochemical corrosion of metal implants and see what appears. You can also go to [terf info](#) (one word) and read about the harmful microbes harbored in the area of dental implants and the connection to autoimmune disease.

As far as the alloy (titanium, vanadium, and aluminum), a study cited in the "Journal of Materials Science: Materials in Medicine"<sup>13</sup> (2002) where it is found that titanium may be found in peri-implantar tissues, and the aluminum leaked diffusely into the surrounding bone. It is not a comforting thought to me that aluminum is leaking into tissues so close to my brain!

The study was authored in Italy. Apparently this was not breaking news to the implant industry in the U.S..

The sinus perforation is yet another injury that can occur with the implants in the upper jaw. Most of the studies I can find on sinus perforations are concerned with the effect the perforation has on the osseointegration of the implant--not whether you end up with a chronic infection or an anatomic abnormality that leads to a chronic sinus infection. My problems with the sinus did not manifest until 6 months after the implant surgery. From what I understand the membrane may not have healed correctly and the irregular surface acted as a nidus for microbes. I just finished two weeks of Azithromycin/ and Nystatin which had me feeling pretty good. The ENT I consulted with indicated that this could be a long term problem with the sinus and that it could require surgical debridement from time to time. So, because some hot-shot Dr. drilled through the sinus and jammed a big implant up there I could be dealing with this indefinitely. NICE.

If I did get an implant I would choose ceramic. I would have a CT scan done before and make sure you go to a competent surgeon who will at least not drill into your sinus cavity before the implant is installed. It is also my understanding that many surgeons abandon the procedure if the sinus is perforated and wait for it to heal before installing an implant. I wish that would have been done in my case. I would ask what the protocol is in the event the sinus is perforated. I would also ask what materials are available and from which companies. I would find out the reputation of the company manufacturing the implant and want to know where the implant is manufactured, as many companies have operations in Mexico and China. I would ask if there are any prior patients who developed unexplained physical symptoms after implant surgery and what, if anything, was done to assist this person in regaining their health. I think I already know the answer there, but I would ask the question.

You are lucky that at least you have this information and now will not blindly proceed as the others who have posted here on this topic.

Good luck and take care of your health.

---Several family members and friends were thinking good thoughts and praying for me last week. It will be a testament to their prayers if my sinus can stay well without further medical intervention. As for the other symptoms of aching and numbness, there has been no definite medical explanation. It would be so nice to feel normal again!

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[smileynow](#) Sep 30, 2011

Another question that would be good to know from a prospective surgeon would be the number of maxillary implants he/she has done relative to the number of sinus perforations. Then, you can figure your odds of having a perforation. In my case there was pre-existing sinusitis and the use of nasal steroids as well as the use of cpap therapy for sleeping. Ask if you have any pre-existing conditions or health issues that could affect the healing of a perforation if one should occur. It would be good to know if there have been sinus perforations that have led to long term consequences for any previous patients.

The implant manufactures should also be able to issue a patch of the materials used in their implants. From what I have read there is some concern about the application of skin testing to the study of immune response to implants, but this is an option.

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[smileynow](#) Sep 30, 2011

Have any of you heard of the leukocyte migration inhibition testing (LIF or MIF testing)? I found it in the "Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery", March 2001, Metal Sensitivity in Patients with Orthopaedic Implants. This is another method of testing for a delayed-type of hypersensitivity and it would be good to know where to get it done, as it would be a way to get insurance to pay for the cost of removing the hardware.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 02, 2011

Another website that looks like it offers the lymphocyte transformation test is orthopedicanalysis on the web.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 02, 2011

A conebeam CT scan has less radiation than a traditional medical CT scan and you can have an oralmaxillofacial radiologist read the scan at the service I have used. Where I live it costs \$300.00 and ins. doesn't cover it.

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[jerandi](#) Oct 03, 2011

I'm still sickly. Don't know what is wrong with me. Bottom line is don't implant anything into your body unless it has to be there. For instance, a heart valve replacement. Teeth? Opt out. There are other pretty options if you find the right doc.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 03, 2011

The website of Supra Alloys, Inc., a leading distributor of titanium alloys in the U.S. reports that titanium is biocompatible, non-toxic, and not rejected by the body. Yay! Oh yeah, we must all be having a dream (nightmare)!

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[curedsoon](#) Oct 08, 2011

Last night there was an email notification of a post by an expert in metallurgy and prosthetics who posted on this forum, but the post isn't showing up on the site. It would have been nice to know what this person has to say. Did anyone else get the notification?

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 10, 2011

I had two dental implants placed on the each side of my mouth, upper jaw, on June 14. About 5 weeks later, all hell broke loose. My symptoms have been:

Sporadic lack of appetite and weight loss (10-12 lbs)  
# brain fog/confusion (much worse in last 2 months)

# Weakness and fatigue, especially in the morning (much worse in last 2 months)  
# numbness of face and scalp (much worse in last 2 months)  
#sporadically tingling scalp (much worse in last 2 months)  
Sporadic tingling in forearms, hands, feet (sometimes whole body feels numb)  
#Tight, heavy feeling shoulders and neck (much worse in last 2 months)  
#Numbness and soreness of legs (sporadically, sometimes tingling (much worse in last 2 months)  
Feet feel hot sometimes, for no reason (noticed this is March of this year)  
# Sporadic pain in arms and legs  
#Sporadic chest pain (but, I do have chronic costochondritis)  
#insomnia (much worse in last 2 months)  
#Breathing trouble  
#Severe anxiety and depression, to the point that of despairing I will ever recover) (much worse in last 2 months)  
#Lethargic (much worse in last 2 months)  
#Derealization (much worse in last 2 months)  
#Sporadic tinnitus (ringing or rumbling, had some tinnitus for many years due to chronic ear infections as a child)  
Dry mouth  
Occasional tingling in shoulders and neck  
#Light and sound sensitivities (much worse in last 2 months)  
Sporadic burning sensation of skin from just being touched/scratched  
#Sporadic cough and dry, irritated throat (much worse in last 2 months)  
Feeling poisoned and just not myself  
#Sporadic balance issues (mild)  
Hair began graying around age 20  
No motivation or optimism, can barely get ready for work in the morning and force myself to do simple tasks  
Fatigue (I've generally had a degree of fatigue for much of my adult life)  
Sense of smell comes and goes (less acute at times)  
Numb and/or tingling genitals  
#Sporadic palpitations  
#Elevated heart rate  
#Muscle/nerve twitching

The symptoms marked by the # are symptoms I have had sporadically, prior to the surgery, due to having been on ativan (which I tapered off of and have been off of for 2.5 years, after having been on it for a year and a half). These symptoms had pretty much subsided, however, prior to the dental surgery. I am planning on getting the Melisa test.

I would like to know what would need to be done if I do get the implants removed. If the implants are taken out, being that I had a sinus bump, what needs to happen to make sure that the hole left behind isn't a problem. Are cubic zirconium or porcelain implants a good alternative? Any insight is so welcome. The last 3 months have been pure hell, but, by the grace of God, I am still here and believe that one way or another, things are going to get better.

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 10, 2011

Curedsoon,

It looks like you live in my area. You mentioned a dentist in Glendale who deals with possible dental implant problems. I haven't been able to read back enough to find out if you have been to see him or if you have had

your implants removed. But, I would like to hear about your experience. I have felt bad for 3 months. But, I don't know if it's the implants. I do plan to have the Melisa test. I would love to hear more about your experience and if you are feeling better. What I don't want is to rip out implants that are not a problem. But, if they are a problem, of course they need to go.

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[KitKat22](#) Oct 11, 2011

I read some of these posts, but not all. It has been 2 months and a week since my two implants were removed. My symptoms are getting better, but are still there. I have good and bad days/moments. I have been on hollistic detox and meds for almost 7 weeks. My # in heavy metals is going down to normal levels, but I am high in other chemicals and toxins still. My Hollistic doctor is great and is very confident that I will get 100% better soon. I am improving, but not as fast as I would like to. My main complaint is still my forehead and cheek pain. There are times when I barely feel it and then there are hugh flare-ups.

pax9608 - I read that you had similar side effects as me. What were yours, if you don't mind me asking? You are lucky that you only had your implant in for 5-6 months. You should make a full recovery very quickly esp with the detox you're doing. I had 2 implants for 4 years and knew something was off, but kept listening to the doctors instead of myself until it got to the point where I had to take them out. I haven't gotten worse and am slowly getting better. Let me know how you're doing. If you want to talk my # 352-516-8194. I know we will make a full recovery, but it's nice to think it will be very soon as opposed to months away.

Estring - I hope you are doing well now. You are in my prayers. I have stopped using products with titanium while I'm detoxing, but I'm sure it's still in some of the things I eat, etc. I've been trying to eat only organic foods, lotion, hair products, etc. I don't think I'm allergic to titanium, but from being exposed for so long from it my body has built up a sensitivity to it. I wore my david yurmon earrings the other night (always wore them before w/o problems) and my ears were on fire! I got my belly button pierced when I was 18 and had to take it out a week later because I got a rash in my belly button and my stomach hurt. I had never had an allergy before so I didn't think about it. When I was tested for allergies nothing came up. Obviously, now I know that I'm allergic to metals when they are in my skin. I will never be able to put a metal in my body again. Anyway, I hope you are doing much better. You said your symptoms were almost completely gone until you were re-exposed to a large amount of titamium? Let me know how you're doing. God bless.

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 11, 2011

I am supposed to see my original oral surgeon on Thursday for follow up on the implants I had in June. I don't know what to say to him; "Have you heard of people having allergies to titanium?", "Have you ever had patients with an adverse reaction to implants?" Should I rattle off a few of my symptoms to get his attention? I do intend to let him know that the one implant is still sporadically painful, at times, that the right side of my tongue tingles, and some of the other symptoms. I'll leave out the psychological issues, because, for sure, he'll write me off as a "head case." I have contacted Dr. Vern Erwin in Glendale, CA and he wrote back to say he would like to do some blood tests. But, I have found some pretty negative reviews online for him. I found another holistic dentist in Glendale who seems to have good reviews (Sarkissian). I don't know where to start with all of this. I have asked my PCP to refer me to a neurologist, but, I'm not betting that a neurologist will recognize or believe I'm having a reaction to dental implants. Would my original oral surgeon remove the implants if I insist on it? Would this be a reliable way to have it done? I was told that the implants just screw in and out. It sounds like a



simple enough procedure. Should I insist on an xray to assess the state of my sinuses? I don't seem to be having a sinus issue, as of right now? What else needs to be done to insure proper healing and recovery after removal of an implant? I am not in any condition to travel around looking for a dentist to help me half way across the country. And, my brain fog makes research so difficult. I live in L.A., so, some good doctors should be here that can help. The dentist who did my implants has had tons of experience. So, maybe he can be the person to remove them. As I said, I don't know where to start. Some advice would be great.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 11, 2011

Hi there. I am the former curedsoon who started this thread, but now going by smileynow--I thought changing names would somehow speed the process. As you are finding, it is much easier to have implants installed than removed. I don't live in Southern California, but have heard from a dental lab technician in my area that Dr. Michael Keramati in Encino is a person who does cavitation surgery and removal of implants. I talked to him myself on the phone and he was very nice. The only problem is I don't know anyone who personally has had experience with him.

I had my one titanium implant installed in June 2009 and still have the irritating piece of crap in my head! Last month I traveled to Santa Rosa to an oral surgeon who I thought would remove it and he referred me to an ENT for a sinus evaluation. Today I had another CT scan to confirm the irritation that I have told them has been going on since Dec. 2009. I had to leave town because all I have got in Nevada is denial, denial, denial of any problem with the implant or my sinus. Meanwhile I have been on & off antimicrobials for nearly two years. Pending results of the CT scan, the implant WILL be coming out. The M.D. I have been seeing has recommended a dentist in Mesa, AZ--Michael Margolis. He is not an oral surgeon, but I am told he has removed implants and that he does oral surgery regularly and that people travel long distance all the time to see him. I would rather go to California, as it is closer for travel. It would be interesting to know if you have heard of anyone who has experience with Dr. Keramati.

We have many symptoms that are similar. I feel sorry for you. I have been to several neurologists myself. With the kind of symptoms you are having they will try to dump you in the MS bin, being it is a diagnosis of exclusion. The problem is no neurological exam, eye exam, or MRI supports that diagnosis in my case. I wish I would have saved myself the irritation and money of visiting any of them. I would not let them do a MRI with contrast (gadolinium), as it is a metal and it appears (DUH!) I have issue with metals in the body. The allergies and sensitivities I had previous to the implant and multiplied since this implant. If I can recover from this it will be a priority to warn others of the risks.

Let me know if you find out anything about Dr. Keramati, and I will keep you posted on the removal and recovery process on my end. :)

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[pax9608](#) Oct 12, 2011

So glad to hear you're doing better. It's been about 4 weeks for me and like yourself, I have good and bad days. The facial burning is the worst and is so unpredictable. I'm also experiencing some body flushing (not as much since removal) that I was told was due to metal toxicity.

I am very interested in your detox protocol - when is a good time to call - I live in Florida?

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 12, 2011

Thanks for your response. I spoke yesterday to a neuropsychologist that I work with and she is going to talk to a neurologist that she works with about my case. A positive thing is that nothing we talked about leads her to believe I have MS. So, I have confidence that I won't just be relegated to that category. Are all MRI's the same? Is it possible to get an MRI without contrast if I request it? I certainly don't want any extra toxins thrown into my body.

I know next to nothing about this process of having an implant removed. The oral surgeon who did the implants has been doing this procedure since 1985 and has been an instructor at USC. I hope that would make him pretty adept at removing the implants, if that's the way it should go.

<http://www.pasadenadentalimplants.com/about/index.htm> What is the procedure that should happen when removing the implant? Is this cavitation necessary and why? I am nearly as wary of holistic dentists and naturopaths as I am of traditional doctors and dentists, now. I went to a naturopath who wanted to give me a homeopathic remedy made from arsenic. That was all I needed to know to put me off of that doctor, and make me very wary of other naturopaths. If I get my original oral surgeon to do the removal of the implants, what else needs to be done to insure proper healing and recovery? What happens with the holes left in my mouth? Is the option of a bridge a good one? Or, can I just leave the holes (though, the holes make it very difficult to chew properly)?

I know that I have a ton of questions, but, this whole subject is mind-boggling. If you don't mind, would you list some of the symptoms that we share? Your posts are very detailed and well-worded, so, it seems like the brain fog might not be as intense for you. My heart goes out to you and the long process it has become to get the implants removed.

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 12, 2011

Serbin,

Would you mind giving a quick read of my posts above and letting me know your thoughts? I am wondering what kind of procedure you had and what kind of dentist removed the implants. Was it a traditional dentist? Did you have the Melisa test? Any help or direction you can give with these questions would be so welcome. Thanks, so much, for any information you can share.

Nicole

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Oct 12, 2011

lambyoung, you should give serbin a call, not sure she checks in too often but i believe her phone number is in one of her posts. i called her the day before i was sched to have my extraction done by the surgeon who placed it and she urged me to cancel and go to her surgeon (we live close). I am so glad i listened to her. he is MD as well as DDS, specializes in oral maxillofacial surgery, does a ton of jaw surgeries and extractions. if you get the extraction done by the same surgeon who placed it my guess is that the surgeon does not do nearly enough extractions to make them an expert. the other factor is that if when the implant is removed and something doesn't look right the surgeon who did the work may not be forthcoming with the information. i have read boards like this for dentists where a surgeon writes that they have placed an implant and it perforated the patient's sinus cavity and the surgeon was asking for advice about what to do. all the dentists who gave advice told him not to mention it to the patient, "nothing bad is likely to result anyway". well maybe nothing bad right then and there however, a year or 2 later when the patient is suffering from chronic sinusitis is on all kinds of meds and nothing is helping it would be nice to know that your dental implant has perffed your sinus and making you sick but by then you are not even thinking about the implant and you spend the next few years ill, miserable playing Sherlock Holmes while the surgeon is sleeping like a baby and bank account getting fatter. when i finally did figure it out my oral surgeon and dentist told me it was extremely unlikely that my implant was making me sick, and that they had never heard any complaints from any other patient.

sorry to go off on a rant, i am having a really bad day healthwise. anyway, it is important to also ask the surgeon about grafting. my first surgeon was insisting that i needed a graft to close the hole in my sinus (ha, if there even was one since he was denying it) and if there was no hole he said I would need to fill the space left by the implant and i opted for using my own bone instead of something synthetic, bovine or cadaver. Serbin urged me not to do it, so glad i listened. turns out despite the insistence of my first surgeon, the second surgeon said that he was very hesitant to put anything else in there that could cause a problem. he said that bone is living tissue and it would heal on its own which it did. i had a cone beam ct scan a month after extraction to make sure the hole was closing. regular ct scans are not sensitive to pick up things like a perffed sinus. the other thing i insisted on was an xray after the extraction to make sure there were no metal shards left behind. the one thing that i wish i had done but i didnt know about was look into having the surgical site cleaned with ozone after the extraction. the microbial infection in the jaw/sinus is what is making me sick right now. there is almost zero possibility that some germs are not going to get into your jaw with a root canal or dental implant. once introduced they turn into anaerobes which are extremely difficult to kill off and make you very ill. they produce powerful toxins, some of which are carcinogenic. do a quick google search on root canals and breast cancer. scary. i think smileynow may know something about ozone?

smileynow, did i ask you already about ozone treatments? sorry i am so foggy lately. my issue right now is the anaerobes making me sick but my dr hasnt found a way to kill them. i had 2 ozone injections but i am feeling worse. hard to say though because mycoplasma pneumonia is back. what kind of ozone treatments were you getting? did it help? thanks for the info

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[Estring](#) Oct 12, 2011

I had 4 upper implants removed in May after 5 months of them in with the same symptoms as you. I did the whole routine like everyone else, visiting numerous doctors, etc. They don't know anything at all about titanium or how it raves your body. The neurologist I saw told me my numbness and tingling was that I was a diabetic, I'm not!!!!

We are the ones who have been through it and have to teach them. Only my ENT knew about titanium and what

it can do.

I live in a major city on the east coast with supposedly the best hospitals. They are clueless here completely!

I am presently suffering from the same symptoms from being given Barium Sulfate) Cat Scan dye!!! So far, it's been 2 weeks from hell. So stay away from dyes. This one had titanium in it. So, not only did I get another heavy duty metal but it also contained titanium. I think after the initial exposure to titanium, we become more susceptible to anything with titanium in it. I also had similar reaction with Augmentin. Now my meds are titanium free.

I had my 4 implants out in about 30 min. by the oral surgeon, who was a DDS and MD. She is the one that put them in. I demanded they be removed, She did see me failing the last few weeks. I only had stitches and have not had any problem at all since I had them out.

Hope this helps.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 12, 2011

I had ozone injected into the extraction site when I had the tooth next to the implant removed (the one they said was the cause of the trouble). It was great and my symptoms temporarily resolved, but with the implant and infected bone graft and sinus trouble left behind it was not long before symptoms returned. I also did 3 weeks of IV ozone infusions along with UV blood irradiation to kill infection which helped with some symptoms but with the implant and infected bone graft you know I was not dealing with the root of the problem, so to speak. Some dentists do not use the ozone therapy as it is not yet approved by the FDA. The titanium implants are, however. With what we all have been through the FDA approval is not a gold seal in my book, anyway. I am not only still looking for a qualified surgeon to remove this piece of crap, but one who will remove the diseased tissue and administer appropriate anti-infective measures to restore health. You don't have to worry about me going back to the yahoo who installed the implant, as I dumped him when he said it was either the tooth adjacent to the implant or I needed a psychiatrist. Well, that tooth was extracted earlier this year and the trouble persists. What do you think? Obviously I am coherent in spite of dealing with this crap since 2009!

The last ENT I saw finally admitted to there likely being an infective component likely initiated by the implant/bone graft/sinus perforation. Gee, you don't think?? I am still waiting for the report on the CT scan done yesterday. He said it was likely I had some sort of pathology going on in the sinus before this procedure. You know the \*\*\* who installed the implant knew I used nasal steroids, had multiple allergies, daily sinus irrigations. etc.. What did he think (NOT!) would be the result of a sinus perforation, and what, if any, steps did he take to avoid such a complication?

I have been so dizzy the last few days I started with the antibiotics and antifungal drugs, as they are the only way I have found to get some relief. Didn't you tell me you tested positive for Lyme, also? The M.D. who is treating me now said I was showing positive for it on the bioenergetic testing. We hardly have any tics where I live in Nevada. The only time I remember being bit by a tic was when I was 7 yrs. old living in Connecticut. Weird!

It is too bad you are having a relapse. The last time you wrote I thought the anti-infective measures were having a positive impact on you. Aren't you the person who said you have Lyme?

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[smileynow](#) Oct 13, 2011

Have you read about Neuralgia Induced Cavitational Osteonecrosis (NICO)? I don't know if it could be a contributing factor, but one of the dentists I saw thought it was the cause of my issues. I saw him about a year ago and I hesitated as what he wanted to do seemed so drastic, and I had heard that he is aggressive in his surgical technique. He is also temperamental and paranoid as he is being harrassed by the dental board because NICO is not a politically correct diagnosis in mainstream dentistry. This is because they would have to admit some of the standard practices in mainstream dentistry are causing trouble for some people. When I called him a few months ago he refused to take my case and told me he didn't want to hear my story.

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 13, 2011

I am rather confused as to how to proceed. I am also possibly fairly Vit. B deficient, which can produce all of these symptoms. But, it seems like the thing to do if I get the implants removed, is to have the areas cleaned with ozone, and have the holes filled in with my own bone. Here is the info on one particular dentist that I saw, at one point, to have the procedure done. I didn't go with him because his prices were so high. But, his credentials are extensive:

[http://www.paccoastcenter.com/mee/mee\\_stephens.html](http://www.paccoastcenter.com/mee/mee_stephens.html)

Does this guy look reputable? I know, it's hard to tell. But, I just don't have much knowledge of how to sort this all out. Here is another option for a person who is both a surgeon/M.D. John Lytle, near the bottom of the page. <http://www.foothilldentalimplants.com/lts-surgeons.htm>

This is another dentist who did my wisdom teeth extraction last year. He was very kind and sympathetic: <http://www.spoms.com/dr-stephen-goei-dds.html>

Here's one last possibility:

<http://www.glendaleoralsurgerycenter.com/patient-information/meet-the-doctor/>

I will be seeing my original surgeon this morning, for follow up. I will mention my problems, for what it's worth, and see what response I get.

Thanks for all of your input. Nicole

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 13, 2011

Here is one more dentist, though, not an MD, he does use ozone:

<http://www.pasadenalaserdentistry.com/our-team/>

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 13, 2011

I just got back from visiting the surgeon who put my implants in. I told him about my experience of symptoms, though, gave him a very limited list, so that he wouldn't automatically write me off. The short list I gave him was pain and pressure at the site of one of the implants, tingling on the right side of the tongue, head pressure, and scalp tingling and numbness. He wasn't sure what to make of it. But, it didn't seem like he thought I was crazy. A few Xrays were taken, which showed nothing, he tested the stability of the implants, both were stable and integrated. He placed a healing cap over one of the implants. Only one of them had been capped before. A CAT scan was also taken so he could review the sinuses and look for infection in the area of the painful implant. I have a follow-up appointment next week.

I asked his assistant if it was a big deal to remove and implant that was a problem. She said it wasn't a problem, that it happens sometimes but that it wasn't a big deal. She said that the bone would grow back into the space. That was some new information because I thought that there would be a gaping hole in the area and that I would have to have a graft. I would like to avoid any additional materials being put in my mouth, even if it's my own bone. If the bone grows in, that is very good news. So, I will return next week, and, I have the above listed dentists/doctors to consult as back ups.

Oh, I asked him if it were possible that my sinuses were punctured. He said he would have to look at the CAT scan, but, that if they were, it's not a big deal, they puncture sinuses fairly often and it's not a problem. I question that. So, I know that if there is a sinus problem, I can't count on him to be a reliable source of information about that.

So, this is where things stand now . . . I was hoping the implants weren't integrated. So, I'll just have to go from here. Nicole

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Oct 13, 2011

I have been where you are and learned a few things along the way. First, there is no way to tell if the implant has completely osseointegrated until it is removed. Mine had integrated everywhere except at the apex which had perffed my sinus. This was only visible by the soft granulated tissue on the implant where there should have been bone. The surgeon pointed this out to me after the extraction. I felt lucky to have the info, it explained why my immune system was out of whack (bloodwork showed this) as my body had rejected it and was pumping inflammatory mediators into my body making me sick.

It is unlikely you will see a perforated sinus on a regular ct scan. It is not sensitive enough. You need a cone beam ct scan and most offices do not have them. If your treating dr doesn't have one You have to go out of your way to find a dr who does them and then bring the report and films back to whomever is treating you.

As far as it not being a big deal that the implant may have perforated your sinus, it makes sense that the person responsible for that mistake is going to write it off as "not a big deal". It is a big deal. The standard of care should be that a patient receives a ct scan prior to placement of implant to make sure there is enough bone there



so that the implant does not perf the sinus. If there is not enough bone then the jaw is supposed to be built up with bone grafting. The good surgeons do it that way. Mine didn't.

Also, ct scan and MRI will not always show infection, abscesses can show up but not all infections are abscesses.

The very experienced oral surgeon who did my extraction recommends avoiding bones grafts at all costs after a failed implant. Even using your own bone for grafting material. Your body can reject that also. The bone should grow back as long as it is kept clean.

I hope you find a qualified surgeon. I would see as many as you can and ask a lot of questions and then make your decision.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 14, 2011

You are exactly right that the person who perforated the sinus will write it off as no "big deal". You will also find the same opinion if you stay in town and talk to his or her buddies. It is a big deal, especially if you have pre-existing sinus/nasal/allergy symptoms, and any surgeon worth his salt should know it. I clearly stated on my health info. that I used nasal steroids for years (making the sinus membrane thinner), had many allergies, and was irrigating my sinuses 2x daily prior to the dimwit drilling into the sinus cavity. Then, 6 months later I have symptoms of infection. This is because it never healed correctly and/ or there is a reaction to the grafting material and/or implant. Now we know it would be prudent to have a cone beam CT scan done prior to implants, especially for someone with preexisting conditions. We found out the hard way! Some of these guys are way too nonchalant about installing implants in anyone with the money to pay them!

Thank you for the information about avoiding the grafting material at all costs. I appreciate knowing your oral surgeons' recommendation of avoiding the grafting material. That is why I didn't have the surgery performed by the periodontist who wants to repair the defect with cadaver bone.

Thank you for all the links to the oral surgeons. What I have found is that even some of the most highly qualified surgeons are either misinformed or lack the nads to acknowledge what is happening to some as a result of the standard practices in dentistry. It would be great to find a competent surgeon with the knowledge and experience to cure these kinds of problems currently not acknowledged by my of their contemporaries.

Lambyoung72, I'll keep you posted on what I find available in California. The oral surgeon who removed the tooth adjacent to the implant for me is Dr. Jarvis in Santa Rosa, CA.. He uses ozone, but is uncertain about removing the implant as he feels it is primarily a sinus issue. I may have to go elsewhere as I have asked him twice about removing it and the piece of crap is still lodged in my head.

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[alnpfi](#) Oct 14, 2011

I received my dental implant in my lower right side first molar in late February, 2011. After approximately three or four weeks I started experiencing unusual symptoms of an allergic reaction.



This started as a few small bumps on my stomach area. Within another week I began experiencing a strange rash, starting on my right ankle, then spreading to my left knee. This rash/ hives grew more intense, moving to my groin area, inner thighs, and buttocks. I also experienced small itchy bumps along my waistline. Concerned that this could be some form of std, I saw a doctor and the Gay and Lesbian Center in Hollywood. I was given antihistamines, and cortisone cream.

I continued experiencing this rash for months, with varying intensity. It would seem to be clearing up, but before it did, would start up again. After a few months I experienced a few other odd symptoms. I felt an odd stiffness in my thumb joints, and also a tenderness in the front of my right foot, just before the toes. I also felt a similare inflammation in my left should/ upper arm.

In September I experienced a tightening in my throat, and a dull pain in my gums. Also, my tongue was very tender on the sides. This went away after a few days. I also noticed a sensitivity of my tongue when brushing my teeth, almost a burning..

With no other explanation I began to suspect an allergic reaction to the implant. I looked up "titanium/implant allergy" on the internet. My symptoms matched what many others experienced; itchy rash, joint pain, strange sensations in the mouth. I've never had any kind of severe allergy, or rash/hives.

In late September I met with my dentist about having the implant removed. The rash had become more intense. He gave me an implant to tape to my ankle to check for an allergic reaction. Within two hours I had hives going up both sides of my torso, so I removed the implant from my ankle. The rash on my sides went away within a few hours.

24 hours before my appointment on Oct. 7, I again taped the implant to my upper left ankle, to see if there would be a reaction. The next morning before my appointment I removed the taped implant and noticed my skin had turned red underneath and started to blister slightly.

I had the implant removed that same morning. Upon removal of the implant my symptoms subsided. The burning in my tongue after brushing my teeth went away almost immediately. The itchy bumps on my scrotum started to subside after several months of not responding to antihistamines or creams. I've suffered no other joint pain, and the rash on my thighs, buttocks has lessened considerably, This is being written on the fifth day after removal of the implant.

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 14, 2011

Okay,

Here is one dentist who offers cone cat scans in Pasadena. The doctor is also a maxilosurgeon:

<http://www.kimberlyebnerdds.com/oral-surgery-patient-information/x-rays-ct-scans.html>

But, my dentist/oral surgeon does use the Cone cat scan. So, that is one thing that I won't need to scramble around to find. I had the Cone I-Cat scan yesterday (I has one done, also, prior to the surgery) and I will meet with the doctor next week to see what he finds.

<http://www.pasadenadentalimplants.com/icat/index.htm>

I can also get the copy of the scan and take it to other dentists/surgeons to see what they see, if I get the impression that I'm not getting the full scoop from him, which, at this point, I may or may not get. He did seem concerned for my symptoms. But, I'm willing to bet he won't admit that anything I'm experiencing is from the

implants.

Nicole

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Oct 14, 2011

Hey, sorry just noticed your others posts, I am still really foggy. Thanks for the info on ozone and UV. I need to clear this mycoplasma and then will revisit that infection. (the mycoplasma is in my sinus as well as lungs). I have never heard about NICO but will look into it, thanks for the info. What your dentist did to you is really criminal considering you seem to be a walking contraindication for dental implant so close to the maxillary sinus.

It is so awesome that you found an MD who does bioenergetic testing, my has saved my life, literally. Is that the dr who administered ozone and UV?

Yes, you are correct, I have Lyme. Diagnosed in April 2011 and cleared it after a few months of homeopathic treatments. The thing that had the biggest impact I think is the KMT device I use every day. I don't know how to explain it in detail but it delivers a micro current that is kind of like "shaking a tree". The spirochete burrows and the micro current forces it out of hiding so the remedy can kill it. It also is supposed to get the immune system to coexist, since you are never really cured. Most people notice a huge improvement when they add the KMT treatments. Lyme is pretty tricky. I had it for 13 years and didn't know it, maybe you have had it all these years. I think my Dr follows a protocol by Dr Klinghardt. You can get more info here <http://www.betterhealthguy.com/joomla/images/stories/PDF/klinghardt%20-%20a%20unique%20healer.pdf>

Overall, I have been doing a lot better. Just the infection in the sinus/jaw from the root canal and implant giving me trouble, although the symptoms had gotten a lot better. The lyme and mycoplasma can relapse but I am not so worried about those as I have cleared them before. I am more worried about the anaerobic infection in my sinus/jaw whose toxins are linked to cancer.

I hope you find a competent surgeon to do the extraction. If not you can come out to Philly. At least you will know you are in good hands.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 14, 2011

Sounds like you figured everything rather quickly and are moving on to better health. Good for you. I wish I would have connected the dots sooner--maybe my sinus wouldn't be such a pain right now. Thanks for writing in.

It doesn't sound like you got much resistance from your surgeon, either. It's great your surgeon gave you a sample of the implant material so readily. My surgeon never offered a sample of the material to me. He seemed to have an agenda of proving the implant was not the issue. Not helpful!

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[smileynow](#) Oct 14, 2011

I remember Serbin saying that Dr. \*\*\*\*\* in PA did a good job of removing her hardware. It sounds like you had a good experience as well. I was trying to avoid the torture of air travel if possible, but at least we know he can get the job done.

The Dr. I'm going to now didn't do the ozone & UV, but he does the bioenergetic testing. I ended up going to him for a referral to an oral surgeon to take the implant out, and he referred me to the Dr. in AZ. He told me to google Lee Cowden's Lyme Protocol, which I haven't. He also gave me some Samento and Cumanda homeopathic meds for the Lyme, but I haven't done tried those, either.

Last week I was so dizzy I had to start with the antibiotics again, as they really help. Today I requested to look at the radiology report for the CT scan I had Tues. and the imaging center would not give it to me, as they said a Dr. has to request it for me and the Dr. who requested it is not in on Fridays. Let's see.....I paid for it.....It's my body.....Hmmm, but I'm not entitled to see it? It was a bad day. The sinuses above my eyes ache, the tmjs have been causing a mega headache, and then dealing with the ridiculous rules of the imaging center.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 17, 2011

On Oct. the following post #1252386 started out like this.....I am an expert in metallurgy prosthetic care. The scientific community is crazy, is corrupted by pharaceuticalcompanies. All alloys are toxic when-

It would have been nice to hear what this person had to say. Did they change their mind and delete their post? Did someone else delete the post? What happened?

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[momof2peanutz](#) Oct 19, 2011

Hey folks,

Just wanted to post as I've done lots and lots and lots of reading over the past couple years (son is autistic) and have traced it finally to the titanium dental implant in my mouth.

Titanium is a metal. It is not harmless in your mouth (or rest of your body) as the med. community says it is. Mercury, cadmium, lead, titanium - any metal in the body, particularly in the mouth, not only is unhealthy, but creates a "battery" in your mouth. All that needs to be present for a battery charge is two metals, plus water (or ions). Autoimmune disease is created in this process, because essentially .. well, here's a quote from the International Center for Nutritional Research: "Thio-ethers are "partial" antigens, haptens, and thus they also tend to combine with the normal proteins in the body, "denaturizing" them. Such denatured proteins become

"non-self" agents, which the body must deal with as such. The production of antibodies adapted to the situation will be provoked, and they will home in on the target antigens wherever they are. The process of "auto-aggression" will be set in motion: self-destruction of agents alien to the organism. Extensive structural cellular damage will result and help create the environment for cancer."

What this basically describes is how autoimmune reactions (your body attacking itself) come to be with mercury or other toxic metals in the body.

In my opinion, after much research and after doing a lot of detoxing with my son and him progressing when no one said he could, (plus with all my autoimmune issues), titanium isn't something to which we have an "allergy", traditionally, how we know it.

Titanium is simply a toxic metal, which, along with mercury, lead, nickel and the many other metals some incredibly stupid or greedy people put in our mouths, should never ever ever be there. Ever. Just go to youtube and search 'mercury fillings'. You'll find video showing how mercury 'smokes' and gives off toxic fumes .. even 30 years after being extracted out of someone's mouth. I taste metal all the time, and especially around the area of my implant.

In addition, it is known that within root-canal teeth (specifically in the tooth pulp) is a hotbed of bacteria that is 1,000 times more toxic than botulism. This made me very sick (before my implant), especially when a dentist drilled a hole in mine and then it cracked. I was getting severe - unbearable, really - stomach pain. Once the cracked tooth was extracted, it disappeared.

For those of you with metal in your mouth, get it out.

For those who have had it removed and are still suffering with symptoms, in my opinion, you must detox from the metal that's in your body. Detox happens most through the urine and stool. I've found Now Foods Candida Clear to be invaluable to me.

Also, I cut out gluten, and most dairy and soy from my diet. Gluten is, essentially, glue and it holds everything in our bodies, making us constipated and preventing effective detoxification. Usually, in these cases there is also a huge build up of yeast (candida) in the stomach, intestines, and also in the brain and all other organs. (this is systemic yeast) It is actually parasitic. Candida Clear works great. I still have yet to find a totally gluten free probiotic that does not have maltodextrin in it. (which has gluten) For the best info. on how to avoid gluten, google celiac forum. celiac.com forum is amazing for info on autoimmune diseases/conditions and good products vs. products that contain gluten.

You will feel loads better if you go gluten free. Just watch that you don't 'gluten' yourself and eating out is a royal pain. You must always check to make sure they have a gluten-free menu. Also, anything - abso. anything including spices, flax oil, pills (especially tablets) foods, - practically all processed foods, contain gluten. I just started cooking a whole lot and making big batches of things. Now Foods is, so far, the only responsible company I've found that labels all gluten and allergens. Make sure to read the labels, though. Some have soy..

I'm hoping once my implant is out and I've detoxed for several months, I will not need to go to as much extreme as to never eat gluten, but for now I must, because it makes me violently ill. If you cut it out, you must stay with it, cause your body will get stronger and then be stronger to attack itself (autoimmune attack) if you do, in fact, ingest gluten. For me, though, there's no choice as I couldn't function and I have two small children to care for.

Best of luck to everyone. God bless and if you ever want to email me:

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Oct 20, 2011

i Haven't been on, I didn't see the post. It would have been nice to hear the info.

I am guessing you were referring to Dr Carrasca at Upenn? I guess we can't refer to specific dr's? Anyway, I thought he was excellent. I am going to the National Integrated Health Associates in DC next week. Seeing environmental medicine specialist.

Hope you had some luck finding a surgeon for the extraction?

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Oct 20, 2011

Welcome and thanks so much for the valuable information. Do you think you have entirely cleared the infection where your root canal was? How is your son doing?

I have been doing a lot of reading about mold and apparently there is a genotype that makes people reactive to mold that is seen a lot in autism. You may already be familiar with this? Even if you are there is some really good info on a website. If you google Pat Sullivan jigsaw health go to the blog that comes up. They will delete the website if I post it here I think. Well heck I will try, I'm not sure what they will delete. Here is the link. <http://www.patsullivan.com/blog/autism/>

once you are on the blog search for autism.

THanks again for sharing great info. I started gluten free again.

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[Serbin](#) Oct 20, 2011

Hi it is Serbin,

I have typed several long notes and they don't seem to be posting.

I have been hearing from people from all over the country that are having problems as listed above.

After having them removed, now I am getting calls from all those people saying they once again feel human. I know all my old buddies on this site have been following things right along with me.....and this is great news.

When implants work, they are the best thing going and when you react to them, they are a living hell as shown by all the people that are tired, sore, aching all over, exhausted, ringing in ears, headaches, etc.

Hey Smileynow, heard from Carol and she feels terrific. Able to go back to her job 100%. Travels, and works out everyday at the gym, once again.

How great is that news. Took a while til it got out of her system. But day by day and week by week, she got better.!!!

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 21, 2011

I met with my oral surgeon yesterday and let him know that my symptoms still persist. I stuck with a very short list because to include all of them is to risk not being taken seriously, at all. I asked about the possibility of titanium allergies/sensitivity and he said the the that evidence of that is anecdotal. But, he said that he would remove the implants for me and refund my money, if that was my choice. He said that the procedure is simple, that the implants can still be screwed out, even after 4 months of being there. We went over the Cone beam CAT scan and the sinuses were not punctured, he showed where there was still bone above the implant, no penetration into the sinuses. Thank God.

I have asked my PCP to help me get a Melisa test. But, I'm thinking I'm just going to get these nasty pieces of hardware out, Melisa test or none. I am praying to know the best way to take care of this and to have it done with the right person. I don't feel that it would be a bad choice to go with the surgeon who put them in. He is perfectly willing to take them out, if I choose to. He seems concerned for my symptoms, but, at a loss as to the cause. I asked if he had ever had a patient who had been allergic to titanium. He said that there was one person who thought this was the case. He removed the implants for her. Of course, she never gave him follow up information on how she did after that. But, I am glad to hear that he is willing to take them out.

I appreciate Estring's post that states that the symptoms were the same as mine. And, their implants were removed by the same dentist who put them in, a simple 30 procedure. I can't know all the variables and intricacies of bio-chemistry and medical in's and out's, all the what if's. Extrring's story seems pretty cut and dry. Take the implants out and go from there. If recovery isn't fairly quick, then, look at other things. But, I don't feel like I need to chase after possible infections and microbes, until I find a reason to. My first step has to be to get the implants out.

That said, I intend to up my intake of Vit. C and begin using olive leaf extract to keep my immune system up and to head off any possible infection issues. Nicole

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 21, 2011

Serbin,

Could you let me know a good time to call and talk to you about your experience? I appreciate you being to helpful to all of us.

Nicole

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[Estring](#) Oct 22, 2011

I had my 4 implants out in May after 5 months of HELL. The oral surgeon used a ratchet to unscrew the implants. I had 3-4 sutures, no antibiotics, just did saline rinses for 2 weeks. It took 30 minutes, most of it was to wait for the novocaine to work. It was a piece of cake!! NO infections, nothing happened.

The best part was that night, the numbness and tingling and pain I had which started in my feet and went up to and included my groin area and some of the pain disappeared that night.

In the morning, my feet were still numb though. I was very debilitated the day before, I couldn't walk, I could only take a few steps, I had to use a cane, I was bent over, shuffled my feet, legs weak, so uncoordinated, I was tripping and falling, able to go up only 1 step with help. By the end of the week I was walking without a cane.

The rest of my symptoms slowly disappeared over 3+ months except my toes are still numb (could be circulation) I had severe muscle and joint pain, insomnia, I didn't sleep for 5 months, started sleeping a few hours longer weekly. My 5 month old headache went away that night.

This whole journey cost me \$13,000, the oral surgeon didn't charge for the removal.

Good luck with your choice and I hope you do as well as I did.

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[Estring](#) Oct 22, 2011

The best MD to see for the titanium problem is an Environmental/Occupational Health Specialist. They deal with industry, metals and chemicals. You can find them in major cities, they work with the Public Health Department. They are few and far between.

I recently had my implants out 5 months ago, I had a Cat Scan with dye/contrast and had a severe reaction. It has barium sulfate and titanium in it. I developed a partial bowel obstruction along with some titanium like symptoms. It is now 4 weeks and I am slowly starting to recover.

It appears I have developed a sensitivity to titanium products. I never had a reaction from the dye before, I also had the same reaction from Augmentin, an antibiotic, which I didn't have any problems before the implant.

I did find a list of foods with titanium. It is not a complete list but can be helpful to us. It is the Codex Alimentarius, it is a list of all foods and the chemicals that are added. To get this list: Google GSFA, click on "online food additives index" and go to T for titanium, etc. What is not on that list is skim milk, it is naturally blue, and they use titanium in many products to whiten them. It is also used in sour cream, cottage cheese, cream cheese, toothpaste and the worst and most is used in sunscreen. Also mostly used in vitamins, and OTC and prescription meds. My primary changed all my meds for titanium free pills. Liquid meds don't use titanium, it is used to make everything look NICE and White. Look under "other ingredients" on the box to see if it contains titanium, it is usually at the bottom of the list.

I hate to become a fanatic but I am getting away from processed foods and now drinking organic whole milk, and using Whole Foods cheeses, etc.

Hope this is helpful



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[hotrods1967](#) Oct 23, 2011

I have a file still in my area of roots from a root canal and I'm having issues too. My dentist said it couldn't be the file

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[smileynow](#) Oct 23, 2011

Of course.

If you aren't being helped go to another dentist. Good luck.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 24, 2011

Somehow I missed your post on Oct. 12 where you mentioned you were going to get an MRI. I have had one and refused the Gadolinium contrast dye (to the disappointment of the neurologist) as it is a metal and I obviously have trouble with foreign substances and metal in my body. I didn't need to go to medical school to figure it out either. Just look above at Estrings' post and what happened to her. I am glad I refused.

I have symptoms of numbness and tingling in hands and feet as well as eye irritation in the eye above the implant. All symptoms from the neck up completely disappear with the use of Azithromycin and Nyzoral (an antifungal). Many months after the implant they figured the tooth adjacent to the implant was infected and so I did a retreat on a 25 year-old root canal in order to save the tooth. In the end it needed to be extracted. I feel like the grafting material and sinus is chronically infected and I feel sick and tired if I stop taking the antimicrobials. Only the alternative M.D.s have listened to my symptoms and given me the drugs to alleviate my symptoms. They think it needs to come out, but they aren't surgeons. I have been examined by a rheumatologist, several neurologists, a neuro-opthamologist, and several ENTs who don't see any sign of disease. So that is great news.

The only person who could identify any type of pathology was a dentist who is also an osteopathic physician. He thought I had neuralgia induced cavitation osteonecrosis (NICO), and wanted to remove the tooth which has since been extracted as well as the implant and surrounding bone. It was early on, and I felt like he was being too extreme, so I didn't do it. When I called him later he didn't want to take my case as he is in the process of retiring. He is temperamental and a little paranoid as he is being harassed by the dental board for diagnosing and treating a condition not currently recognized by mainstream dentistry. He wanted to do cavitation surgery on the entire area. Maybe he was right, I don't know.

To me the symptoms are also being caused by the titanium, as now that I have stopped with the titanium

sunscreen every a.m. I don't have the itching on my back while I read the paper in the morning.

It sounds like we are both on the West Coast. I am still searching for an oral surgeon to remove all this without adding bone grafting material. I would like an oral surgeon who uses ozone. It looks like quite a few dentists use ozone, but it is hard to find an oral surgeon who does.

How are you doing?

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 24, 2011

Estring,

I am thankful for your post. It gives me some encouragement that I am making good choices in taking out the implants with the original surgeon. The surgeon who did my implants has been doing implants for 25 years, and, has been a professor of dentistry at USC. I know that isn't a perfect guarantee, but, I feel it is certainly a positive point. That you didn't need to take antibiotics is a good thing, too. I am very concerned about jacking up my stomach with antibiotics. I was on Pepcid AC for two years for a now resolved ulcer (yes, Pepcid AC has titanium in it, too ... another issue. But, I finished tapering off of Pepcid earlier this month. So, my body is hopefully clearing that junk out of my system, too.) My stomach is feeling really good, now. Thank God. So, I don't want to test that with antibiotics.

In a previous post you mentioned that your symptoms were the same as mine. This has been the most horrific, scary, miserable 13 weeks of my life. If you have had the depression, anxiety, brain fog, and all the other bizarre symptoms that I've had, my heart truly goes out to you. I've been pouring over my vitamins and products that are in my house to make sure that there is no titanium. My vitamins don't list them, thank God. My foundation, according to CoverGirl, may or may not contain titanium. It's the last ingredient on the list, so, if it does contain titanium, it wouldn't be a lot. When I am feeling a bit better, I plan to replace all of my make up with make up from Whole Foods. . . they should have some make up without titanium.

So, my plan is to get 2-3 other second opinions from oral surgeons to make sure that what my original oral surgeon is telling me sounds right to them, that the implants can simply be screwed out. My oral surgeon also said that he might need to do a couple of stitches as well. So, it sounds like what he is proposing is the same procedure that you had. He also said that he would refund the amount of the surgery and implant. Thankfully, the implant process never got as far as having the crowns made, so, no money was wasted there. Thanks for sharing your story with me. I feel like yours is pretty close to mine. So, it helps to have this information.

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 24, 2011

I have changed my mind, for the time being, on having an MRI. I don't think it's warranted. I plan on getting 2-3 second opinions from oral surgeons in the area and making sure that what my original surgeon tells me is correct. I don't feel uneasy with the thought of getting them out with the original surgeon. I know, some people choose to go another route. But, I feel that my original surgeon has a ton of experience in this area, and, should be a qualified person in this area. I have my before and after Cone Beam CT scans to show the other dentists I consult. So, that should also be helpful. All in all, if I had to have a bad dental implant experience, I picked the

right dentist to have it with because he had the Cone Beam technology which is certainly a bonus.

I am very wary of naturpaths and holistic dentists, as much as I am wary of most traditional dentists and doctors. I believe that most doctors and dentists do want to help their patients. But, they are all trained in their specific medical worldview, so, they can only see things from that perspective. And, most doctors, regardless of their orientation are trained to push medications, whether pharmaceuticals, or, their favorite vitamins or herbs (usually, the ones they sell off of their own shelves. They don't send their patients over to The Vitamin Shoppe to pick up vitamins.) One naturpath that I saw wanted to give me a homeopathic remedy containing arsenic. That was enough for me to lose all trust in him. Another holistic dentist that I contacted regarding the implants, ended up having several reviews about doing unnecessary procedures. So, I feel like it's just a matter of doing the best you can to educate yourself and then praying you're making the right final decision. Thankfully, I have no sinus problems. My sinuses are fine and feel no different than they did before the surgery, no congestion, discharge, etc. I plan to hopefully have the implants out by the end of November, at latest.

I am sort of confused about the ozone thing, too. I don't know if it's safe because in my reading a few years ago regarding air cleaning machines, there were many warning about machines that produced ozone and that this was a dangerous thing. So, I don't know. I am sorry that you have chronically infected sinuses. That must be hard. The last sinus infection I had, that I remember was over 15 years ago. But, I remember feeling so bad and sick, feeling like my head was so heavy that it would pull me over. I believe that my eye irritation is not really related to the implants. I have had dry eyes for several years now. I think that it's due to wearing contact lenses for so many years, and, I just found out that I am rather Vit. A deficient, which, makes all of the mucous membranes dry. So, I've started taking more Vit. A to help with that. And, I'm considering wearing my contacts less.

Yes, I live in the L.A. area. I am thankful that there are a lot of good doctors and dentists right here in the town I live in that I can consult with. I will let every one know how things go as I progress.

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 24, 2011

I am interested in the mycoplasma being discussed on this forum. I have looked on the internet and it seems like there is some really different, varying information on it. Some, more traditional medical resources say that it's treated with a two week course of antibiotics:

[http://my.clevelandclinic.org/disorders/infections/hic\\_ureaplasma\\_and\\_mycoplasma.aspx](http://my.clevelandclinic.org/disorders/infections/hic_ureaplasma_and_mycoplasma.aspx)

Others say, it takes a 6 month to 2 year course of antibiotics. Others say the best course is natural regimens. Does anyone have good information on this? What is the natural regimen, what is used to eradicate it, and, how long does it take to get rid of it? Are there good reliable resources on the subject from doctors/clinics that aren't trying to push a product? What can be done to protect yourself from further infection? It's confusing to read the different materials because some sources say, it goes away on its own, no treatment needed, others, say, it has to be aggressively treated. Just wondering about this ...

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[lambyoung72](#) Oct 24, 2011

I thought that this was an interesting resource for mycoplasma. Of course, this is a clinic with products and agendas to push. I have visited the local clinic twice and the doctor focused on my thyroid. The thyroid levels were normal then, and, I had them retested last week, and they're even better. But, it's interesting what they say about mycoplasma and the treatment. They reference using a cholesterol medication and mega doses of Vit. C with an alkaline diet. I looked at alkaline diets and, basically, you can't eat anything.

I have been tested twice for mycoplasma. A month a half ago, my levels were:

377 (IgG/IgM abs), reference Positive >320

IgM Abs <770m, reference Negative <770, Low Positive 770-950

My test results from last week are:

338 IgG/IgM Abs

<770 IgM Abs

So, it looks like I have mycoplasma, that I'm not one of those people for whom it has gone away on it's own, though, the levels are going down. I know that my PCP will want to treat me with the typical 2 week course of antibiotics. I wonder if I should give that a try and then try other treatment if that doesn't work, or, just go for the natural treatment right away. And, I'm guessing my husband will need to be treated. After I recover, we are going to start a family. So, I'll want us both to be clear of this virus. It looks like the mycoplasma can be treated and eradicated in a few weeks, according to Dr. Holtorff, when treated.

My plan is to stick with getting the implants removed. Is it okay to go ahead with that and then address the mycoplasma? Or, do it simultaneously? How harsh is the mycoplasma treatment, I'm very sensitive to medications.

<http://www.hormoneandlongevitycenter.com/cfidsfibromyalgia/#9>

BTW, I've been tested for all of the neurotoxin related diseases and I'm negative on everything except the mycoplasma. Thank God!!

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[heliy](#) Oct 28, 2011

This can be because of the use of implants made of Grade 5 titanium which are very cheaply available in the market. These are actually not pure titanium. These implants are made of ti alloy which is 6% Aluminium and 4% Vanadium.

Aluminium is notorious for its toxicity starting from mild allergy to Nervous disorders, and it should not be included in any thing that is food or drug. FDA approves this in a general category and there are lot of heated discussions going on related to this. But still FDA approves this. Most of the low cost implants made from Grade 5 Titanium is from Israel. May be this explains why they manage to get FDA approval...

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[smileynow](#) Oct 28, 2011

Well thank you for this information. When I started having trouble I asked the perio who installed my implant what the content was and he gave me a specification sheet that stated it is 6% aluminum, Fe Max 0.14, O Max 0.13, Ti 90%, and Vanadium 4%. Oh yes, now I see it is grade 5 titanium. So that is a low grade of titanium compared to others on the market? I did read an Italian study that found Aluminum leaked diffusely into surrounding tissues. I guess not a problem in this country?

If I had been offered a choice of course I would not want Aluminum near my brain. I went to a professional known for doing good quality implant work, so I just assumed he would be using the highest quality of materials. Another periodontist I consulted with also considered the BioOss used in my grafting procedure to be something of an inferior quality. He said the stuff is "crap", and that he does not use it.

How is it that they are not required to inform us of what materials are available before installing something permanent in our bodies?????

Lambyoung, I am also wary of the holistic practitioners who want to sell products. At least with them we have a chance to research the ingredients on the bottle before we ingest it!

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[terrybrown12](#) Oct 29, 2011

Glad I found this place.

I have just decided to have two implants taken out. It has been almost 4 years since they were put in and I have had illness that mimics auto immune issues.

Luckily I have found 2 dentist to work with that have a high success rate.

I will have the titanium replaced with zirconium.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 30, 2011

Hopefully it was the titanium causing the autoimmune issues and not a foreign body reaction due to having something implanted in the bone. From what I have read the zirconium sounds like it would be more biocompatible. However, according to research done by Toxic Elements Research Foundation (terfinfo)

ANYTHING implanted in the bone triggers an autoimmune response. They also found more than a dozen types of anaerobic bacteria in bone grafts and metal implants voluntarily removed from people whose implants appeared healthy on x-rays.

If I am fortunate enough to find a talented surgeon to successfully remove this implant and allow the sinus to heal, I will be happy to restore my health without taking any added risks of implanting something into the bone.

Good luck in the removal process and hopefully the zirconium will agree with you.:)

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[terrybrown12](#) Oct 30, 2011

Thank you for this info as it is good to know. The issue for me is one of the implants is a front tooth so I want it to look as good as possible. I will for sure bring this up with my new dentist that will be doing the work. They seem to be very in the know about these sort of things and have worked with many patients, removing and replacing the implants.

A bridge may be the best solution.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 30, 2011

If they have removed many of the osseointegrated titanium implants and are somewhere in the Western U.S. I would be interested to know who they are, as I am planning to get mine removed. If they are replacing the titanium implants with the zirconium perhaps they are more progressive than the dentists who do not recognize that metal implanted in the bone is causing health concerns for some people.

Thanks.

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[terrybrown12](#) Oct 30, 2011

I am going to meet with the dentist this week. When I talked to him on the phone he referred me to the endodontist that replaces them. I met with him and he told me it would be no problem to take them out and replace with zirconium. Both dentists said they have done this many times with good results. I live in Southern Ca. I will keep you posted on what the dentist says and I will share with him what you shared with me.

What does osseointegrated titanium implants mean?

BTW when I spoke to the dentist on the phone he is a dentist that totally understands all of this. i feel blessed to have located him and he is in my town! I was prepared to go to Mexico if need be.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 31, 2011

Osseointegrated implants are those that are anchored to the jaw bone. From what I understand the bone grows around the titanium and it becomes part of the jaw bone. This seems to be the only measure of "success" in the studies.

Weird body symptoms, increased sensitivity to other products containing titanium, sinus inflammation in the maxillary sinus above an implant, burning mouth syndrome, numb feet, itching back, etc.--apparently these don't matter. If the implant integrates with the bone (never mind that your bone has been tricked), you are a

"success". Congratulations.

It sounds unusual for an endodontist to be placing implants. I had mine placed by a periodontist. Usually oral surgeons and periodontists are the most familiar with surgical procedures involving the bone, so this would make sense. I guess there are general dentists who can take a course and learn how to perform implant surgery, but it would seem safer to trust an oral surgeon or periodontist for such procedures. Oh, and listen to me. Look at where I am. LOL!

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 01, 2011

Too bad you are not on the east coast. I went to National Integrated Health Associates in DC last week and was really impressed with the two dentists I met with. They are using mostly ceramic for implants there but will test patients first for sensitivities before doing any dental work.

I was impressed with the MD I met with as well. Seems like the ozone injections I had killed the infection in my jaw, just took a while for me to bounce back. My MD here has been ordering ozone saunas and putting the gas directly in my ears, which has really helped clear my sinuses. I am feeling better than I have in a long time.

What cities are you close to? I follow up with the dentist at NIHA on Nov 7 and will ask him if he refers to anyone on the west coast.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 01, 2011

That is great news you are doing so well. I am hoping to get some ozone treatments as well in order to avert having any sinus surgery or major debridement of the jaw bone. Oral surgeons who use ozone are a rarity, I am finding. The one I did find did not want to remove the implant as he feels I may end up with a fistula.

There is a website called osseo news, (put the word together) for clinicians who perform implant surgery. From what I have been reading it would seem someone like me who, prior to the surgery, was irrigating the sinuses 2x daily and using nasal steroids for chronic sinus and allergy symptoms would not be a person you would perform a sinus lift on. Most certainly perforating the sinus in this situation would result in a problem, either immediate or delayed. I have seen soooo many ENTs, oral surgeons, 2 periodontists. All the dentists stick together and say "well, it is a common occurrence to perforate the sinus with such procedures (indicating it is no big deal)". Why is it I have to find this stuff out myself? I should have never had the implant in the first place!

The largest cities closest to me would be Sacramento, CA and San Francisco.

Ozone saunas? I didn't think you could breathe ozone? That is interesting about putting it in your ears--I guess it just infiltrates every where? So you had the surgery to remove the implant in Pennsylvania and now are seeing these integrative dentists in DC who are administering the ozone injections to the jaw. If I remember, you had a sinus perforation as well? Was your implant perforating the sinus when the Dr. in PA removed it? Do you mind telling me how long ago you had it removed?



That will be great if you can ask your dentists about someone in the Western U.S..

Thanks.:)

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 02, 2011

I meet with the dentist tomorrow. From what I gather the endodontist works with him and they do test all materials before putting them in your mouth. They have done this many times. We'll see.

Like you I say what do i know, look where I am now? There are not alot of options out there. I will keep you all posted. I am certain that my implants have bonded with the bone. The endo said he will contact the pero that put them in and can get the right tool to take it out. I know the pero that put them in thinks i am nuts. They really do not understand. I have found two dentist that have been doing this a while and seem to get it. It is such a big decision. I think my long term plan is to have a metal free mouth then possibly detox from any metal poisoning in my body. (had all my mercury filling removed 6 years ago, which was a nightmare, a whole other story)

Glad for the support here.

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[lambyoung72](#) Nov 02, 2011

I am thinking and praying about the timing of having my implants out. I am thinking that next week might be the time I have it done. Every day and week that I wait, the more time that is going by, allowing the implants to bond with the bone. At this point, I have been assured (by my original oral surgeon and another maxillo doctor) that the implant can be screwed out. Right now, the implants have only been in for about 4.5 weeks. So, I don't want to wait much longer. I am looking into having one more second opinion and then would like to go ahead with the removal.

My doctor (PCP) and the maxillo surgeon that I consulted for a second opinion say that there should be no issue with the mycoplasma in removing the implants. Actually, I feel that I may be getting over the mycoplasma, my energy seems to be improving. So, I am thankful for that. I plan on using a humidifier to breath in sea salt water and hydrate my lungs. That might be an additional help in ridding my body from bacteria.

I am also wondering about the best option for replacing the implants, meaning, is a bridge an option? I don't want any more metal in my mouth, but, I do want to be able to chew. So, any thoughts are very welcome.

Nicole

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[lambyoung72](#) Nov 02, 2011

I just wanted to check and see how you are doing. Are your symptoms beginning to subside after your augmentin/CAT scan issues? Hoping that you're feeling better.

Nicole

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 03, 2011

I didn't have a cone beam ct scan until after the extraction so the oral surgeon who removed it did not know if the implant had perffed my sinus until after he removed it. He said that if there was communication between the mouth and sinus after he removed the implant, meaning a hole in my sinus, he would use tiny amount of cotton to close it, not really a true patch, just enough to stop the communication until my body healed the hole. He was adamant about not using another foreign substance to patch the hole.

I had the implant removed at Upenn 10 months ago. My MD close to my home is administering ozone, new treatment for him in the last month or so. I went to DC for a second opinion regarding his ozone protocol as they do a lot of ozone there and have been doing it for quite a while. I am very comfortable with my treatment plan and it is helping a lot.

The ozone has apparently cleared the infection and now I am using it to boost my immune system so I can fully recover. My immune system took a big hit, tests show I am not making antibodies to fight off things like the flu, bronchitis and pneumonia. The ozone works wonders for immune system and chronic fatigue.

You are right about the hazard of inhaling pure ozone. Very bad for the lungs, esp for people with asthma or other respiratory problems. The sauna is actually a cabinet that you step into, sit down and shut the door. There is a cut out for your head so it is not inside the cabinet. The last time I had a sauna, under the drs guidance I inhaled some of the ozone steam, which is not pure ozone gas. It helped clear my sinus. I think the ozone in my ears helped sinuses even better. I have also used ozonated olive oil directly in my sinuses. You can purchase that on the internet. The ozone is the one thing that is making a positive difference for me. The literature that I came across about the hazards of ozone refer to use of the pure gas in the environment, usually to kill off mold, which is a hazard for the lungs. I have not been exposed to pure gas ozone in my lungs and like I said, after years of suffering this is the only thing that gives me relief and promises a cure.

I hope you have good luck with avoiding any sinus surgery. I know you don't want to have the jaw bone debrided, I am pretty sure the dentists in DC told me that in some cases it is necessary. They said an infection can clear after 1-3 ozone infections. I guess if it doesn't clear after 3 they would consider debridement. I was lucky, mine took 2. I really hope that yours clear with just ozone.

I am going to throw something else out at you, since our cases seem similar. The dentist in DC said that my tongue was showing signs of a sleep disorder (dents on the sides) like something was going on with my jaw. I was impressed as I had not mentioned that I had TMJ and that I was not sleeping well at all. He picked right up on something I don't even mention to people. He sent me for a sleep study which I did last weekend. His theory is that whatever is going on with my jaw and the fact that I already have sinus issues may be obstructing my airway and my sleep. Without adequate oxygen and REM sleep my body has not been able to completely heal. Sounded really kooky to me, totally out of left field but now that I have had time to think about it he may be right. I get the results on Monday. Imagine, this whole thing could be fixed with an appliance to wear at

night! He doesn't use cpap machines and can get people off of them.

I will ask him about drs in your area. I can't wait for you to get that thing out of your head.

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[lambyoung72](#) Nov 03, 2011

When you had the implant removed, did your doctor actually place the cotton patch in the implant site? Does the cotton dissolve or did it have to be removed later on? I'm just wondering. The Cone Beam CT scan that I had about 2 weeks ago doesn't show a perforation of my sinuses. But, if when I have the implants removed, if a hole is discovered, it would probably be a good idea to have something in between the two areas while my sinus membrane reforms.

Nicole

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 04, 2011

yes, he used a tiny amount of what he described to be a "cotton-like substance" maybe it was actually cotton, I can't remember. He didn't want to do a graft because my immune system was already in overdrive. Whatever he used dissolved within a few days, I didn't even know it was there.

If your implant did perf your sinus you will get other instructions like to avoid blowing your nose, don't use a straw, things like that. It really was not a big deal at all and I was glad to avoid a graft

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[lambyoung72](#) Nov 07, 2011

Thanks for this information. Yes, my surgeon has let me know that the bone will grown back and no bone grafts will be done. That is a load off of my mind that it won't even be considered in removing the implants. As of right now, I plan to have the implants removed this Saturday. I will definitely talk to the surgeon about the "cotton" patch in case there is any perforation. As things are now, there seems to be no perforation. But, in consulting another oral surgeon for a second opinion about the removal of the implants, I was told that the sinus membrane might stick to the implant on the way out, as it's being removed. So, it's good to have this back up plan, that that case.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 07, 2011

It will be great if you can start to feel better after this Saturday! Is this is a different surgeon other than who intalled your implants, or have you found another surgeon to remove them? I also can't remember if you had bone grafting and a sinus lift done when your two implants were installed? Now that is a scary thought of having the membrane stick to the implant. Let's hope not.

I am still living with my one implant and looking for a surgeon who can remove the implant and bone graft, but somehow render the area good for healing. I am set to have a phone consultation this Thurs. with a Dr. in AZ. so I will let you know how that goes. If your surgeon at USC removes many osseointegrated implants I would it would be great if you can tell me his name--CA is much closer than AZ for me. It sounds like he is going to do everything possible to avoid adding grafting material to your jaw. In my case the implant is replacing a first molar in the upper jaw. It sounds like you have an implant on each side of your upper jaw. From what I've read the upper first molar is commonly implicated in sinus perforations, so that partly explains my predicament.

I will be thinking good thoughts for you!

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[smileynow](#) Nov 07, 2011

Did you get the results of your sleep study?

Unfortunately one more thing we have in common. From what I understand the dental appliance (mandibular advancement device) only works for mild to moderate sleep apnea. I have tried several and right now am using a Herbst dental appliance, which is the best out of the three I have tried. One was a molded plastic device that held your jaw in one place all night. It was terrible as far as making my jaw sore and also sometimes my teeth would slip out of it. Another appliance I tried was the Somnomed--a pink adjustable appliance with long prongs that look like fangs. Hideous and too bulky if you end up trying a cpap mask ontop of it. The herbst is adjustable and not too bulky. I went to a dentist who specializes in TMJ and sleep dentistry. He did a great job and I don't know if another dentist without his expertise would have done such a good job. I originally went to him for TMJ trouble and he told me the reason my jaw hurt was because I was clenching my jaw all night because of not getting enough air. He is the one who insisted on me getting a sleep study--and he was right about the apnea, which was severe. The TMJ disappeared when the apnea was addressed. The only bad news is that chronic nasal congestion renders cpap therapy ineffective. Nasal congestion is detrimental to anyones' sleep, whether they have apnea or not. It is the one good thing in this whole odyssey I have found --using antimicrobials clears my nose completely. I know this is not a way most people want to live, but right now the sleep is great.

How is your sinus since the implant removal? I have been reading that the bovine bone grafting material used in my case is not favored by some doctors because they consider it to be allergenic. Oh yeah, just what we need shoved up under the sinus! I cannot believe I paid for this crap!!

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[lambyoung72](#) Nov 08, 2011

Thanks for checking on me. I am praying that I will feel much better after the removal, too. Right now, it's hard to know if I'm feeling so badly because of the implants or because of the mycoplasma that I have. Many people can just fight off mycoplasma on their own, it's a weird sort of bacteria. So, I don't know what is making me feel this way. It's a process of elimination for us, and, a whole lot of prayer and leaning on our faith.

The surgeon who is removing the implant is the surgeon who installed them, he is also the USC professor. I didn't, thankfully, have bone grafting. I did have a sinus bump, which is a kind of modified sinus lift. My two implants are one on each side of the upper jaw, one is the first molar and the other is a second premolar. In looking over my post-op Cone Beam CT scan, the surgeon said that the sinus isn't perforated. But, I will bring that up again this Saturday to make sure that this is reconfirmed.

I believe that my surgeon does remove osseointegrated implants because I asked what the procedure would be if the implant doesn't screw out easily and they told me about the tool that is used to cut the implant out. Even the dental assistants were familiar with it. So, they seem knowledgeable about it. I will be having another thorough conversation with the surgeon prior to the removal. I'll make sure to address the sinus sticking to the implant issue, as well as the patching that hopefulinSJ described in her post. My husband and mother in law are going to be with me, so, we'll make sure that we're all hearing and understanding the same thing.

I hope that your phone consultation goes well.

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 09, 2011

Update: Met with the dentist here, right in my town, who has alot of experience and knowledge with this. I am going to have my two implants removed ASAP. I will let you all know what happens. i expect the best! :)

Smilelynow I read about your experience with neurologist and the MS thing. My experieice as well.

Still strongly considering the zirconium as this is a front tooth. If it was a back one I would skip it. My new dentist is the dentist to a popular health professinal that is a purest and he is having a zirconium implant done by my dentist. So that gives me some reassurence.

I am still very nervous about this and it is a very big deal. But I am certain I have NO choice but to remove them or just get sicker. Thanks for the support here.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 10, 2011

Sorry for the lapse. My new dr at NIHA has ordered some new tests so I am running around again. I asked about a referral to someone in your area and he recommended a phone consult so he could steer you in the right direction. if you google national integrated health associates in dc you can get the number. his name is Lowell Weiner but if they delete his name there are only three dentists there and when you explain your case they will hook you up with him, he is the expert on these matters.

i am really impressed with his knowledge. he totally understands how the implant wrecked my health and he knows how to fix it. i will try to paraphrase what he said about my case. i likely have some metal allergy or toxicity (all my tests are pending at this point except for sleep study) but the thing that really made me sick was that i had 7 underlying infections (lyme, mycoplasma, c. pneumonia, mold in sinus to name a few) probably for years before i had the implant and i was living fine. immune system working and i didn't know about the infections. then i had the implant placed and whammo, sick as a dog. apparently the metal made the environment in my body very acidic and then all the microbes had a feeding frenzy. i felt better after the implant was removed but have been still pretty ill these last 10 months because the infections were still active.

so for the past 6 months my dr here has done a good job of killing off the infections, the toughest of all was the one in my jaw/sinus from where the implant provided a very fertile breeding ground (as you so astutely diagnosed as NICO from across the country while 12 drs i had seen and asked previously just basically ignored the question). 2 ozone injections did the trick (after a two week herxheimer reaction from hell) and now it seems the toxins that are left over are causing adrenal fatigue and continuing to suppress my immune system.

so now i have been getting ozone saunas and insufflation from my dr here and it is really helping. the ozone detoxes the body and also boosts immune function. i really feel like i am turning a corner.

my sleep study came back negative for apnea but abnormal in that I had almost 100 micro-arousals and spent double the amount of normal time in REM. I had no idea such a thing was possible however, learned that when you are sleep deprived REM rebound happens and you can go right into REM wake up and go right back into REM again the next minute. No wonder i am so exhausted, the nightmares are so ridiculous they really can't be considered nightmares. I am going for a day time study next week to try to find out more. Can't wait till i can sleep again.

Did you have your phone consult with AZ yet?

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 10, 2011

good luck with your extraction, i hope all goes well.

i also have mycoplasma and after many many rounds of antibiotics found that the homeopathic remedy my MD gave me works best. i just finished my second round. first one i had over the summer cleared it but it came back last month. my igg subclasses 2 and 4 are depressed meaning the part of my immune system that makes antibodies against things like the flu, pneumonia, bronchitis doesn't work, so i am not surprised it came back. My husband and daughter also had it and they both cleared it with just one round of the homeopathic remedy. hope this helps

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 10, 2011

just wanted to let you know that the dentists at National Integrated Health Associates in Washington DC also use the zirconium implants, also known as ceramic. zirconium is the most bio-compatible implant available

good luck with your extraction.

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[lambyoung72](#) Nov 11, 2011

Thanks for your encouragement and the information.

It looks like the levels of mycoplasma are going down. I have been taking a lot of natural supplements like olive leaf, echinacea, and oregano, with lots of vitamin C for the last 2 weeks (a holistic dentist informed me of the supplements to use). Also, the mycoplasma isn't acute, the levels I have are from a past infection, though, it's hard to say how recent it was. My IGM levels are negative. The levels of my IGG went from 377 in Sept. to 338 a month later. So, it's good that it started going down on its own (I didn't increase my Vit C and supplements until 2 weeks ago), in a month. My doctor will test me again next week to see what the levels are like to see where to go from there. We've been holding off on giving me antibiotics because they can be so harsh. My doctor has studied mycoplasma very extensively. So, I trust her and her guidance with this. So far, things are going in the right direction.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 13, 2011

I hope you are doing alright and that the surgery went smoothly for you.:)

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[smileynow](#) Nov 13, 2011

Thank you for the information regarding Dr. Weiner. I may be calling him for a consultation. My phone consultation with the AZ Dr. was o.k., and he offers complementary treatments such as ozone and other anti-infectives. He also has a cavitat machine for diagnosing cavitations, something I am very interested in. From what I understand this device is highly accurate in diagnosing cavitations, but is not being actively marketed because of opposition from the ADA and also the cost involved with obtaining the device. I am somewhat hesitant to have him remove the implant as he is not an oral surgeon and I am unclear about how many osseointegrated implants he has removed. Other factors in my situation are the proximity to the sinus and having a thin, delicate (words of a periodontist) jaw bone. Removing a large implant from that type of situation is worse than a small implant from a more substantial bone. Why I have such a big implant is a mystery to me, but I do remember the Dr. asking the assistant for a certain size which was she said she didn't have. Then, I remember him telling her to order more of that size and he went ahead and put the size they had in my jaw that day. Anyway, the AZ guy doesn't seem too worried. My past experience tells me this isn't always a good thing. Sometimes a little caution is a good thing--it sure would have been in my case. Another issue is that he wants to fill the defect with cadaver bone, and my allergist said my blood work was inconclusive, but that he thought it could be a "foreign body reaction". For this reason I am hesitant to add anything else foreign.



Maybe Lambyoung will have good things to say about her surgeon. It is not too hard to get to LA from where I am at.

Do you mind telling me the remedies for your infections that have been working for you? I have been taking antibiotics/antifungals for almost two years now for this stubborn infection. I am thankful for the alternative practitioners who have helped me so far. Someone I know has a husband (just one:))who has suffered with pain around implants for a long time and was told there was no reason for his symptoms--that it must be "in his head", (isn't that the truth!) Well, he ended up in intensive care with a severe infection of unknown origin last year. It's a mystery, isn't it? Geeze! He eventually recovered, but is still living with the implants, which, of course had nothing to do with the infection.

Thanks for your support.:)

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[Fleetz](#) Nov 13, 2011

First time poster here.

I have been struggling with numbness around my LHS of my head, arm, leg and foot for about 6 weeks now. My doctor has thrown everything at it. I have had 2 MRI scans and were we heading down the Neurological path until the numbness started moving over also to the RHS. The MRI both return a non specific results

In March this year I had two Titanium dental implants in my lower left jaw. Everything was fine until probably about 6-8 weeks ago when I started getting the numbness sensation around the LHS of my face and scalp and started predominately down the LHS of my limbs. It is a disconcerting feeling not debilitating and definitely not going away.

So I thought could there be an association between the implants and what I am experiencing and doing a Google search stumbled on the Medhelp website and this thread.

I have seen a number of posters with similar issues to mine.

What is the best tests I can have to confirm if I have an allergy to Titanium?

Assuming I test positive for an allergy what is the options to have the implants replaced with another material. I have nothing to bridge where the implants so I will need to replace them with an alternative. What are the best alternatives.

I know I am getting ahead of my self but given it is not confirmed but I see it as the most likely cause given what I have read here. I would like to be informed before my next doctor's appointment tomorrow so I can bring suggestions to the table.

Appreciate finding out what tests I should have and what options there would be to replace the Titanium implants.

The tread suggests that there are vanadium and aluminium .....I have also seen Zirconium mentioned. What would be the best alternative should they need replacing?

I appreciate your feedback.

Regards,

Fleetz

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 14, 2011

Fleetz---Zirconium is the best choice for a replacement implant.

If your dentist is not open to removing implants try to find one that is. My typical dentists did not listen to me when I shared my weird symptoms that came up after 2 implants. Now 4 years later and symptoms that got worse, I am taking this into my own hands and getting them removed soon. I have found a dentist and oral surgeon that are in agreement with me.

I heard the Melissa test will test for allergies but will not show sensitivities. In other words you may not show for an allergy but the implants could still be causing you issue.

All the Best,

Terry

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[Fleetz](#) Nov 14, 2011

Thanks for the feedback Terry. Good luck with your situation...

It sounds like you have a plan in place as I must do. I am seeing my Doctor today, I have pointed him to this thread on the forum as support of the association of my symptoms and the good possibility of Ti implant being the cause.

So my quest is likely to be find a dentist/oral surgeon that will take the Ti ones out and replace them with whatever is the best alternative.

Is it possible to simply have them removed and replaced at the same time? I suspect that capping them might need time for the new implants to settle and allow possible wounds to heal. No problems there. It would be nice if the procedure to remove and replace the implants be done in the one sitting. I don't like the idea of having to gaping holes in my jaw.

It would be nice to know what is possible so I can contact dentist/oral surgeons before any appointment and know they are able to do what is needed.

Zirconium seems to be the recommended alternative however I have seen some posts where they can fracture and break. Is there any issues with what is being used now? Is there any issues known with them becoming toxic? I have also seen varying reports about how Zirconiumosseointegrate.

Are there any other options to Zirconium that I should consider? I see some dentists are using Ceramic implants so I would like to explore the options.

I appreciate any feedback to my questions..

Regards,

Fleetz

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 14, 2011

I know the answers to many of these questions as I have been researching and pondering non stop for the past 3 weeks!

First of all Zirconium seems to be the best and they generally do not break. They have been used in Europe for years and now in the US. My new dentist and surgeon have been using them for years with no problem. They are the most biocompatible to the body. The other materials you spoke of I would think are not even a consideration. Now my concern is I have read that your body can react to anything implanted in the bone. So.....this is what I am doing and it will also answer your next question. The surgeon found out what kind of implants I have and has to order the correct tool to remove them, and then I will need a bone graft. That will settle for 3-4 months. In the meantime I will wear a "flipper" which is a fake tooth. Then they will put in the new implant, then a crown. It will take close to a year. Believe you me; I had several good cries over all of this. Not to mention 2500. Per tooth removal (including bone graft) then 5000.00 per tooth for implant and crown.

I figure that since I will be implant free for 3 months I can see how I feel then the implants will go in for another 4 months and if my body does not like it hopefully it will let me know before the crown goes on. If it were not a front tooth I would just get a bridge or go toothless. I may do that with the back tooth.

Despite all the hassle and money, I can say that good health is worth all the money in the world. I have not been debilitated but I have had health issues that mimic MS and auto immune since having the implants put in. I have done everything under the sun possible to regain health and NOTHING is working. Makes sense now if your body is continuously being poisoned and or fighting off a foreign substance.!

Well, I should say that all I am doing for my health is keeping me in as good a shape as I am in.

Oh and get opinions before you have it done. I am sure some dentists would remove them and put a new implant in right away and charge less. My surgeon was telling me about this and it can be dangerous. I think the method involved heating up the bone to release the implant and he said that is not good at all!

I hope this information helps.

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[lambyoung72](#) Nov 14, 2011

I ended up not having the implants removed on Saturday. My husband and mother-in-law went with me to the office so that they could be there to be some extra sets of ears for me and for moral support. I went down my list of concerns and questions. At one point, the dentist answered my question (I can't remember which one) by saying, "I don't know, we're in uncharted waters." So, that was enough for me to be ready to leave and find

another surgeon. I don't know what he meant by being in uncharted water, whether he has never removed an implant or whether he had never removed an implant without replacing it with another implant (the latter seems to make more sense, but, I was sufficiently spooked that I have found another surgeon to remove the implants). So, I have an appointment for this Friday to have the implant removed by a maxillosurgeon whom I consulted for a second opinion regarding the implant removal. I will have to pay for the procedure of course, my original surgeon was going to remove them, free of charge and refund my money, after I signed a contract saying that I would seek no further damages (which, of course, I wouldn't).

I feel more at ease with this surgeon. He has a much better bedside manner than the original surgeon. He doesn't see that the implants could be an issue, but, he is willing to remove them for me. And, he doesn't become impatient with my when I ask lots of questions. That is always a good sign.

Fleetz, my heart goes out to you with the numbness issue. It certainly is a disconcerting feeling. Can I ask, what do "non-specific" results mean for an MRI? Does that mean that they could find nothing on the MRI?

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 14, 2011

that must have been a tough decision since he would remove them at no charge.

You do need to feel comfortable, that is for sure!!

Best of luck to you.

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[lambyoung72](#) Nov 14, 2011

Yes, I was sort of disappointed that I was going to have to pass up not having to pay for the procedure. But, my husband and I (and lots of other people) have been praying about this decision. And, this was, in its own way, the answer to our prayer, that we would need to have the surgery done with another surgeon. I see it as God protecting me from a bad choice in who I have do the surgery.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 14, 2011

Thank you so much for adding to this thread. I too have suffered numbness in addition to the feelings of a chronic infection in the sinus above the implant, which is an alloy of titanium, vanadium and aluminum. The MRI I had revealed unusual linear areas of increased signal which were nonspecific in nature. There were more in the left cerebral hemisphere, which is also the side of my head where the implant is. Like terrybrown12 I have issues that mimic some sort of ms/lupus autoimmune type syndrome, but (thank God) without any evidence of disease. The numbness is more of an annoyance, but the infection in the sinus can be debilitating.

If you look up Toxic Elements Research Foundation--TERF on the internet they report that ANYTHING implanted in the bone triggers an autoimmune response. There is also a study cited of healthy osseointegrated implants voluntarily removed where they found toxic anaerobic microbes in the tissue surrounding the implants. It would take a lot of convincing for me to put anything else in my body after what I have been through with this one implant and bone graft. It has been two years of suffering for me to get to the point where I can live without the first and second molars on the upper left side if that's what I have to do--so we are in the same position as far as not having the option of a bridge. The missing first molar shows when I smile, so I am going to look into getting a partial. You are listening to someone who, since college has flossed their teeth 2-3 x/day. I lost one tooth due to an injury and the other due to root resorption incurred during orthodontic therapy. Losing two teeth before the age of 50 was not something I imagined possible, but stuff happens. I'm just saying it is a hard pill to swallow in thinking about a partial and my vanity, but I would rather have my health.

You can get a dental series skin patch test from an allergist, which I had. They tape squares of the various metals to your back and leave them there for 48 hours (fun!) and then record the reaction. In my case it did not register a reaction to the metals purported to be in my implant. Then again, there are things you would put on your back but not necessarily want someone drilling into your jaw. Other than an allergy of the most obvious kind I don't know what use this test was other than if we find the implant to have some gold in it, which I reacted to.

You can also get a lymphocyte transformation test from Melisa or Orthopedic Analysis, which you can look up on the web. I had a mild sensitivity to titanium on the test, which was dismissed by my surgeon who I later dismissed. He told me my symptoms were due to the tooth behind the implant (now gone), or I needed a psychiatrist. He also said he was 100% sure the symptoms had nothing to do with the implant. After I requested he send my records to an oral surgeon for an evaluation and second opinion he gossiped on the phone with him before my visit, ensuring that the new doc would have a biased view of events. For the price of 125\$ the second Dr. told me I should go to a psychologist and "accept" my condition.

I am so looking forward to removing this piece of hardware and regaining my health. It is great there are some physicians and surgeons who know science is being heavily influenced by politics and profit.

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 14, 2011

I have to really rethink this now about the zirconium implant for the front tooth. :( I guess I could get a bridge, but the teeth next two it would have to go them (be crowned I think) This is so depressing. That would be two bridges I would need.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 14, 2011

I know what you mean by the "uncharted waters" post. One of the oral surgeons I consulted with said that in 30 years of practice he had removed "a couple" of osseointegrated implants for "psychological reasons" on the part of the patient. Though I believe him to be a competent oral surgeon, I would like to find a surgeon who has more experience removing implants--and not the ones he has placed himself. Either we are a rare bunch of individuals or they are not letting on in that they see this more often than they would like to admit. Good thoughts will be with you this Friday.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 14, 2011

If the diagnosis of Neuralgia Induced Cavitation Osteonecrosis (NICO) is a real possibility, then there would be cavitations in the jaw bone which are pockets of harmful microbes that can form at sites of root canaled and extracted teeth. What happens to a NICO lesion when it is disturbed by a metal drill and subsequent metal implant placed on site? Would the pocket of harmful microbes then combine with the metal ions to create a virtual festering pot of toxins too much for the body to process?

If you look up the attraction between fungi, yeasts, & bacteria to heavy metals there is a word used which is the biosorption of heavy metals. It seems different microbes are used to clean heavy metals from the environment because of their attraction to one another. I am not a scientist, but it makes you wonder about using metal in the mouth and the possibility of jaw cavitations, doesn't it?

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[verdedinamico](#) Nov 15, 2011

Hi ; I have an implant also for almost three month and i have a hard time with my dentist regarding to the removal of coarse for the 3rd time now i was reading your story and i would like to make an appointment and talk to this new surgeon that you found thank for your attention

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[smileynow](#) Nov 15, 2011

On a vitsit to the allergist today to get some rx refills I learned that he sees on average 1 person/month having unexplained pain of a hip or knee implant. Usually there is some sign of radiolucency by the implant on an x-ray, but otherwise the implant is stable and skin tests are negative for allergy. Within the parameters of what he knows, he does not know the reason for my symptoms or why all pain around the implant ceases with antimicrobials. The folks with pain around their body implants are advised it is a possible foreign body reaction. What they do with that info., I don't know. It sounds horrible.

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[Fleetz](#) Nov 16, 2011

Hello all thanks for the valuable feedback.

lambyoung72 I hope things improve for you. The MRI non specific finding means they could not find any reason in my brain that would be causing my numbness.

I went to my Doctor yesterday and I put to him the Titanium theory having sent this forum link and others on Titanium, he seemed reluctant at first and is still not convinced. We must be a sleepy back water here in Australia as we have 2 companies currently setting up for MELISA lab testing I have been in contact with both of them and registered my interest in having one done.....whoever gets there first will be the one I go with.

The Doctor is happy to go with the test....he wasn't aware of it until I mentioned it. He also recommended to go to an Allergist/Immunologist. March next year is the earliest I can get to see the one up here, I check my home city Adelaide and it is about the same. So for the moment I am placing hope on getting a MELISA test done via my GP Doctor.

He also wants me to go to a Neurologist to rule out any other issue before heading down ripping out the implants. The earliest I can get in is mid January and that is having to fly down to my old home town.

I also spoke to an oral surgeon about replacing the Titanium one with Zirconium and he informed me that they would have to be cut out then bone restored, grafted 6-12 healing then the Zirconium ones fitted. Ouch Interesting he was quite adamant that the implant is not likely to be the cause of the numbness as it appeared after about 5 months the implants were installed.....I see differing situations with fellow forum members here.

I am quite happy to exhaust all avenues before ripping these out. I would be really upset if I ripped them out and found it was something else. So I am going down the Doctors path, test and no doubt more tests, Neurologist and if I can get in to see an Allergist I will do so.

So I am very much work in progress.

Regards,

Fleetz

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 16, 2011

If you can find a holistic doctor or dentist that may be of help to you.

I sit here 4 years after my implants still with muscle soreness and numb hands and feet. I have been to every kind of traditional doctor and holistic.

A traditional doctor will be confused by this a holistic doctor can see the correlation. This is my experience



anyway.

I will have them removed next month. I feel so blessed that I found two dentists in my town one a surgeon twho is knowledgable and will do the procedure.

When my story is all done I will post with the results and the dentists names and numbers for resource.

Best to you on your journey to wellness!

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 16, 2011

PS: I forgot to mention my numbness did not start until maybe 6-9 months after as well. I did however have a heavy weird feeling on the right side of my body almost right away after getting the implants in. That has not gone away.

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[lambyoung72](#) Nov 16, 2011

Thanks for the clarification of the MRI. I think it's a very good thing that the MRI's showed nothing that could be causing a problem. I would feel relief that nothing was found. Of course, that still leaves you with symptoms. It makes sense to me that it would be the implants causing the problems. It does seem there is a lot of variance here of when our symptoms began. My vague symptoms started about 2 weeks after the implant, but, I attributed them to the Pepid AC I was on at the time. The really brutal obvious symptoms of extreme anxiety, depression tingling, numbness, etc. started about 5 weeks after the implants were placed.

I appreciate that everyone here is doing their best to recover their health. For me, I have felt very much on my own, apart from God, my husband, family and friends, who support and pray for me. Doctors, dentists, holistic dentists and naturopaths have been of very little help. Honestly, I have heard just as many horror stories about naturopaths as I had heard of traditional doctors. My PCP is in favor of me having the implants removed as the troubles I've had began 5 weeks after I had the implants placed. But, she's not experienced in this sort of thing. Most doctors, of any orientation, aren't experienced with this sort of thing. I went to one naturopath who wanted to give me a homeopathic remedy made from arsenic!! Two holistic dentists that I e-mailed were not immediately of the opinion that the problem was with the implants. So, it's variable what you will hear from any given medical professional. Traditional doctors have their faults and so do naturopaths. MY PCP is sort of a mixture of the two. And, I am thankful I have her as my doctor.

So, I will be having my implants removed on Friday by a maxillourgeon. I will go in with my list of questions, again, as I did with my original surgeon whom I chose not to have remove the implants. I feel that this time the surgeon on Friday will be more sympathetic and helpful with my questions. I have a lot of people praying for me and I know that I will recover, by God's grace.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 16, 2011

Thanks for the info. You are right on regarding NICO and metal. Since I had underlying infections (Lyme, Mycoplasma, etc) the implant provided a breeding ground and subsequently wrecked my health. I felt fine before my implant yet I was walking around with 7 microbial infections. Thank God the ozone injections in my jaw killed it off, now I am getting rid of the residual toxins with ozone sauna and insufflation. Getting ready to go raw food also in attempt to starve off mold, which is the most difficult to get rid off.

I am still having a hard time getting my head around the fact that your dentist did not have the proper size implant available so used a massive piece of metal in your petite jaw. Jacka\$\$!!!!!!!

Prior to ozone injections I had some success using:

- oil of oregano orally 10 drops 3 times a day in pom juice
- freeze dried garlic 2 caps 3xday in water (let stand 1 minute before drink)
- Toxic Fungi-Mold Nosode (homeopathic) 10 drops 3 x day under tongue
- Sinol nasal spray 3xday (avail at rite aid) by far the best nasal spray for me
- put oil of oregano in a oil diffuser and inhaled
- inhaled oil of oregano using q tip, be careful not to burn use tiny amount, did this til I thought to use diffuser
- ozonated olive oil, eye dropperful in each nasal passage
- following the Body Ecology Diet pretty much cured all my symptoms but it is really hard to stick to

each of the things I listed above helped a lot. The following may or may not have helped, I can't say for sure, but my MD prescribed them:

- Sinusin nasal spray
- Luffeel nasal spray

Seems like you will have a really tough time combatting the infections until you have the implants extracted. Are you familiar with following an alkaline diet? The metals make our bodies very acidic and that environment helps microbial infect thrive. I think you pretty much summarized that in one of your posts. I think that is why I could mitigate my symptoms following body ecology diet, even prior to extraction. The microbial invaders did not like the pH change at all and after ~3 days of herxing I felt like a million bucks.

I hope you can find a competent surgeon soon, I know how it feels to have so much info on how to restore your health and limited resources to help get you there. If it is any consolation to you from where I sit you have turned a horrible situation into something very positive. You are surely generating lots of good karma by taking so much time researching credible sources, which itself is very time consuming, but then all the extra time it takes to share the info in such an articulate and thorough manner as to impact people's lives in such a positive way. I've got to think very good things are coming your way. I, myself have benefitted greatly by the info you have posted so, thank you very much. My husband and kids thank you too :)

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[Fleetz](#) Nov 16, 2011

lambyoung72 I wish you good luck on Friday, I am sure your are on the road to recovery.

Please let us know how you go and how your health progresses post their removal. This will help others including myself understand the condition. I have seen it takes sometime for good health to return.....be very interested in how you go.

Are they cutting them out or unscrewing them out???

Again good luck for Friday

Regards,

Fleetz

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[Fleetz](#) Nov 17, 2011

An update.

I had to contact the surgery that did my implants to get the alloy composition of the implants for a MELISA test for when the labs get set up here in the next week or so.

I spoke to the surgery practice manager who started grilling me why I wanted the alloy composition. Told her that the Doctor ordered up a MELISA test to see if I have a reaction to Titanium. Her comment was "we know about these issues" she made an appointment for Monday next week. Normally it takes a couple of month to get in to see him!

So I think I might be getting closer to the source.

Will feedback the outcome from the appointment.

Regards,

Fleetz

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[lambyoung72](#) Nov 17, 2011

Thanks for your encouragement. I feel that I am on the road to recovery, too. I have a lot of people praying for me throughout the last 4 months. And, I know that the Lord is taking care of me and my family, though it has been the hardest time of my life.

It's too bad that the manager of the surgery gave you a hard time about the ingredients of the implants. If they have nothing to hide or be concerned about, why not tell you right then and there what the implants are composed of? I'm glad that you're making progress toward feeling better.

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[Fleetz](#) Nov 17, 2011

I may not have communicated the manager conversation to well. They were concerned that I was needing that information and felt that they should be the ones to be looking into the issue.(and commented as I said that they know about these issues so I didn't press the composition.) At this stage I don't believe they are holding anything back and if the outcome from the appointment is negative from my perspective I will ask for the alloy composition.

The two LABS here that are setting up for MELISA are still a couple of weeks away and will contact me when they are up and running so I still plan on testing. The oral surgery have suggested that until the appointment next Monday there is no point in doing any tests until the Dr has seen me. As the LABS ready to do the tests yet I will leave everything in position so I can proceed with them if I choose to do so. Fortunately I can call the tune here as the LABS will do independent testing as there is no requirement for a Dr's referral.

I am leaving the Neurologist's appointment in tack too so I have all bases covered. I have to accept for the moment I suspect the Titanium implants and keep an open mind to my numbness, tingling condition. I am throwing everything I can at it especially the Titanium theory as I don't like the thought of toxic-ins building up in my body.

Again good luck for tomorrow ( I assume you are in the USA), it is Friday here in Australia. Hope to hear from you soon about thye success of your operation.

Best wishes,

Fleetz

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[Fleetz](#) Nov 18, 2011

If your system has been contaminated by the Titanium implants what exactly is the contaminate and what can it do to you over time?

Is it possible to detox?

Thanks,

Fleetz

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 18, 2011

From everything I have read and from what I have experienced I feel I can answer your question, although most doctors I have seen have claimed to have no knowledge of these facts. A little digging on the internet, a pubmed search for articles published in highly esteemed medical journals will produce plenty of reliable information. If you comb through the posts on this thread you will find links to websites that will answer your question also.

To summarize, metal of any kind has no place in the human body as it causes heavy metal toxicity (holistic dentists are now using zirconium which is ceramic) and leads to the symptoms you as well as everyone else on this thread are experiencing. My dr described it as pouring battery acid into your body. When the body becomes acidic it creates an environment for inflammation and disease, not to mention fertile breeding ground for microbes (bacteria, fungus, yeast, mold) that all of us carry around under normal circumstances. The ironic thing is that for most of us the nightmare began with an infected tooth and that infection in the jaw was never properly cleared (I have leaned ozone is the only way to kill all microbes) and then adding a metal implant makes the infection thrive and then you end up with NICO (you can google that). Then the drs want to treat with antibiotics and steroids and you get sicker and sicker.

The other thing about using a titanium implant is that it is never 100% titanium, at least from what we have seen here in the US. Usually nickel and other alloys are included. When two metals are next to each other there is an ion exchange, galvanization, which pretty much makes your body into a charged battery. The geniuses here in the US were actually using gold on the cap where it butts up into the titanium implant until a few years ago. A horrendous mistake known by all who have had Chemistry 101.

What can be done about it? First, of course get the metal out of your head. In the meantime follow a low acid diet. Lots of fruits and veggies, water. Chlorophyll will bind to (chelate) heavy metals in your system and help flush them out.

You also need to determine if you have microbial infections that need to be cleared as they will not clear on their own after the implant is extracted. Most people do just based on the fact that a piece of metal was shoved into your jaw and even the cleanest procedure can introduce bacteria into the jaw which then go anaerobic. Imagine how much more likely it is to start a bacteria feeding frenzy when the implant is replacing an infected tooth without properly being cleaned out. This proved by far the hardest part of my journey. The implant perforated my maxillary sinus and even after extraction I had horrible sinus trouble. The infections kept coming back no matter what I took (antibiotics, steroids, antifungals). Finally figured out that NICO or for me what I describe as a jaw infection was a smoldering infection preventing me from getting well. My dr killed it with an ozone injection directly into the jaw. It can take 1-3 injections for success. If ozone injection doesn't work sometimes bone debridement is necessary but my dr told me most people are cured with injections. Keep in mind that a lot of people have a jaw infection without sinus perforation.

In a post a few days ago to smileynow I listed some things I did to improve my health before I had the ozone injections.

Now I am in the detox stage. I get ozone saunas and insufflation twice a week and continue a low acid diet. I finally feel normal again. Not back 100% yet but I am confident I will get there.

Hope this helps. I hope you can get your implant out soon.

GOOD LUCK TODAY LAMBY YOUNG, praying for you.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 18, 2011

One thing I forgot to mention but probably the most important. The infection left by the implant in the jaw can wreck your health but also may produce mild symptoms, such as fatigue. People usually don't even realize it is there. But the one thing for sure that it produces is powerful toxins, some of which are very carcinogenic. Do a google search of root canals and cancer. Very scary. Root canals are known infections. Implants cause infections that are not being recognized. My dr described the infection as a smoldering infection and if he had not picked it up I would not have known it was there. When the ozone injection killed the infection I felt worse for about 2 weeks. That is known as a herxheimer reaction, when you feel worse for a while as the infection die-off produces toxins that need to be flushed out.

I am glad you asked your question, I don't think I had previously posted my entire experience before, just bits and pieces as it changed for me.

Good Luck

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[smileynow](#) Nov 18, 2011

Thank you so much for your kind words and for adding so much to this thread. When I posted the original question as curedsoon 18 months ago I was hoping at least one person would answer my query with some information. I so appreciate every person who has posted and added to this thread, as I believe it will be a source of comfort for others troubled by the same symptoms. At one time it would have been difficult to access so much information regarding our health, but times are changing. In spite of the titanium implant and 4 gold onlays as well as two old amalgam fillings I feel much better than 18 months ago--probably due to removing the infected root canaled tooth and a constant regimen of antimicrobials. At the end of the month I have a consultation with a highly regarded oral surgeon at a university. I am going to request he remove the implant and bovine grafting material which looks like a white blob at the apex of the implant on film. It looks to me like the protocol for removing NICO lesions is different from the standard extraction in that vasoconstrictors would not be used and all the diseased bone would need to be debrided. I so wish there were oral surgeons who would get onboard with the ozone, laser and acknowledging NICO. It is so amazing that I have been to so many practitioners who do not acknowledge this condition or metal sensitivity. Last week a biological dentist told me that it would be more important to find a skilled oral surgeon for a complex surgery possibly involving the sinus than to find a practitioner who is versed in ozone, laser, and cavitation treatment. Now, many months later I realize that the one dentist who is also a doctor of osteopathy (now retired) was right. I didn't want to believe that I needed to remove the root canaled tooth (now gone), implant, and surrounding bone. I thought it was too extreme, and not one other dentist agreed with his opinion. Now, after several thousand more spent on ridding myself of these symptoms I see he was right. So much suffering could be eliminated if dental science were based on reality versus politics and profit.

I have wondered too, if people like Bertin76 who removed their implants would further improve by addressing the possible cavitation issue. Before all of this I had no idea about the connection between root canaled teeth and breast cancer. How ever can the ADA suppress this information and regard themselves as an organization interested in the public health? Then again, what are all the endodontists going to do for a living? And you have some people, by miracle of genetics and whose bodies successfully wall off the toxins are able to survive into their 80's with root canaled teeth. Of course the "science" will be based on the few. How amazing that more dentists do not notice a disparity between what they are told is true by virtue of industry-sponsored "studies", and what they see in their day-to-day practice of medicine.

Regarding the oil of oregano mist or drops--isn't is a danger to inhale oil droplets? The md/homeopathic dr. gave me some EDTA to add to the sinus lavage. How is your sinus now after removal of the implant? I feel

really sick without antifungals and antibiotics. That is great you are getting such great results from the ozone. Did you ever have an exam with a Cavitat?

Thanks for all the great support and information!

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[smileynow](#) Nov 20, 2011

Hi Everyone:

So far we have 26 screen identities who have contributed to this thread, and this takes into account my former name of curedsoon and Estrings' one post as Gericol. Out of the 26 there are 22 reporting specific symptoms. Of the 22 one reported developing Yellow Nail Syndrome from Titanium exposure and another was seeking treatment for an environmental illness. Of the remaining 20 there are 13 who reported symptoms of burning, tingling or numbness in the feet. It looks like 65% of posters are experiencing foot symptoms, unless some of the posters neglected to mention it or I missed it. Other prevalent symptoms appear to be joint pain, dizziness or brain fog, and generalized weakness. Sinusitis is another issue affecting the contributors. When I have time I will tally those numbers.

You have to ask yourself if this is the reason we have heard the Titanium implants are no longer being used in Europe. If this is true, why is the FDA not warning the public of the potential side effects of these implants? How many more people need to suffer before the FDA and ADA acknowledge what is happening? Does there need to be a class-action suit on behalf of the people who have suffered the side-effects of these implants?

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[Serbin](#) Nov 20, 2011

Hi Lambyoung, and everyone else out there.

How did the removal go? It was a smart move on your part.  
If a dentist says uncharted waters and "I never did this before",  
find another doctor/dentist that has done it.

It is a very easy procedure for someone that has done many of them.

What state do you live in?

Maxofacial surgeon was the way to go, that is who did mine and others,  
and no one has had any complication so far.



My surgeon recommended no bone grafting and no new post insertion at this time. Since I was reacting to "something" he did not want to add anything else foreign into my body.

To those out there that are still having some problems after removal, it does take time for your body to get back to normal...ha,ha remember what that is??!!!! Some people have used a detox program. If you feel you need that please post on this forum and others will respond. Personally, I have not used anything to detox after my implant was removed.

Again, for someone who has experience taking these out....IT IS NO BIG DEAL. Other then the nightmares and worry you have before hand, worrying if they are going to have to remove parts of your jaw :-). It is a very easy and basically painless procedure. Just find the right person who knows what they are doing.

Please let us know how you are doing.

All the best of health to everyone out there.

Serbin

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[Serbin](#) Nov 20, 2011

Hi Smiley,

Good work on the information on all the people who have suffered and logged into the site.

I have also gotten calls from many people now across the united states. Common thread.....everyone's problems started within 2 to 3 weeks at the most, after implants were put in.

Everyone of these people have told their dentists. Everyone was told. Can't be the imlant....never heard of it.

Sore joints, dizziness, tiredness seems to be a very common connections with everyone. People that had more then one and the longer they are in especially over one year....the problems seem to be a lot worse.

Then there are the rashes, face pain, headaches, sinus problems that people complain of. Everyone was very active and seem to be people who muddle through things even if they didn't feel great, but this seems to really knock people down and it is hard to get through day to day activities.

Okay Smiley, we go back a long way and it seems like we are helping more and more people because of this site. I get phone calls from mothers and patients who are just trying to get information. Can so many people be wrong??????? duhhhhhhhhh!!!!!!!!!!

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 20, 2011

I will be having my implants removed within a month and I have pretty much decided that I will not put in a zirconium implant for the reasons you said above. As far as the bone graft i believe my surgeon has it in mind to do that as he does not want to leave a hole in the bone. What did your surgeon have to say about that? Just tryin to stay positive and be as informed as possible...

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[Serbin](#) Nov 20, 2011

Lambyoung,

I am here now, Sunday afternoon all day. If you do not call me today, call anytime during the week. If I am not here, just be sure and leave your number and I will call you back as soon as I get in.

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 20, 2011

just read your oct post---- see below. I SO NEEDED TO READ THIS TODAY!

After having them removed, now I am getting calls from all those people saying they once again feel human. I know all my old buddies on this site have been following things right along with me.....and this is great news.

Hey Smileynow, heard from Carol and she feels terrific. Able to go back to her job 100%. Travels, and works out everyday at the gym, once again.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 20, 2011

hmmm, the only danger I was aware of regarding inhaling oil of oregano drops was that it could burn the lining of nasal passages which did not happen to me. I got pretty brave there for a while and sniffed undiluted oil from a q tip with no problem but I got there gradually. Diluted OOO with some almond oil and worked my way up to full strength.

Not sure if it is harmful for some other reason but my MD did recommend that I do it if I could tolerate it. The sinusol nasal spray actually burned more than OOO but only momentarily.

Once I started using ozonated olive oil in my sinuses there was no need for anything else. Ozone kills EVERYTHING.

I have not had a cavitat exam yet. My dr here in jersey tests me using bioenergetic testing. I finished all my prelim tests and am meeting with 2 dentists in DC on Tues. I believe they have a cavitat machine so maybe i will have one done then, guess it is a good idea to push for it, thanks for mentioning it.

Thanks for tallying all of the symptoms people are having. Don't know if I had previously mentioned that I have some joint pain, it is pretty low on the list of symptoms for me though. When I think of all of the symptoms I was experiencing over the past 5 years it is hard to believe that I was so unwell and miserable. I know I am close to the end. The fatigue is the only thing persisting at this point and it is getting better. I agree about a class action suit. What these so-called drs are doing is criminal.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 20, 2011

Hi, just wanted to respond to your question to Serbin regarding bone graft. Serbin and I used the same surgeon (thanks Mary Ann) and he said that a hole in the bone is not necessarily a problem. Bone is living tissue and will regenerate. The problem would be if you wanted to have another implant placed there may not be enough bone there to hold it.

I actually was left with a hole in my sinus after extraction but that healed up fine with no graft.

Good luck with whatever you decide

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 20, 2011

I am so thankful for the info I found on this thread, it is coming up on a year ago. I had concluded that my implant was making me ill on my own and then I found this thread and it has been like little angels guiding every step I have made towards restored health. I had no idea of all the things that went along with this illness and if it wasn't for this thread I am sure I would still be suffering. Thanks so much for taking the time to educate people, feel like you guys deserve a spot on the Oprah show, or maybe Dr Oz :)

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[Fleetz](#) Nov 21, 2011

Today had my appointment with the Maxillofacial Surgeon who put the implants in. He stated in over 20 years he has implanted around 10,000 in that time and he has only removed two patients implants and claimed both of those was for psychological reasons???

I had one of those rotating xrays before the appointment and the implants were in his words "perfect". He was having none of the Titanium allergy, reaction issue!! Even when I mention the forum with real live experience and a good amount of information on the web.

He claimed that given my implants were in around 5 months before these symptoms appeared my condition along with the type of symptoms it must be neurological. He was adamant the symptoms were not related.

I have a Neurologist appointment in mid January which the Maxillofacial Surgeon also recommended as the way forward.

I have informed him that I am currently down for a MELISA test and required the composition of the alloys, he didn't know the composition and has given me a contact email.

He stated that pretty much he would not remove the implants unless the Neurologist requests it. I don't want the implants out unless I am 100% sure they are the cause of the problem.....so it is off to the Neurologist.

I will report back with the MELISA results for your feedback. Do you get a pathologist's report typically with the results?

So the mystery continues.

Regards,

Fleetz

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[Fleetz](#) Nov 21, 2011

I got an answer back on the implant composition firstly they are a Straumann brand grade 4 which is commercially pure (CP)

#### Chemical Composition of CP Titanium Grade 4

- Carbon 0.080 max
- Nitrogen 0.050 max
- Oxygen 0.40 max
- Iron 0.50 max
- Hydrogen 0.015 max
- Other, 0.3 max per AMS 4921 G or 0.40 max per ASTM B 348-99
- Titanium balance

So no alloys which evidently can make these snap however it seems very rare. It appears all I have to get the MELISA test done for is Titanium.

Regards,

Fleetz

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 21, 2011

Hi Fleetz,

If it makes you feel any better my surgeon said basically the same thing.

When I spoke to his receptionist about my situation, she mocked a patient that had them out because " they did not agree with her body."

The new dentist I have has LOTS to say about how these implants are posion to the body for several reasons. He told me the story of one of his patients whose husband had his two front teeth knocked out and got implants. His wife said he was lethargic and depressed for two years. Then he had another accident at work and they implants were knocked out! (crazy I know!)

Well the wife said he did not have the implants put back in and with in a short time her husband was no longer lethargic and depressed and back to his old self.

It is good you are going to see a neurologist. I spent the past 4 years years seeing every possible doctor and no one can find anything.

I guess I it's all in my head. :) .Literally that is!!

By the way I had a holistic dentist that warned me not to use titatium implants and I went with them because my other typical dentist was so positive about how good they would be. What a mistake. I have however learned everything you can learn about staying well these past few years. Diet, supplements, life style change. All the things I do are what is keeping me going as well as I am. Still, this is no way to live,

~Terry

PS I emailed with a DR at the mellisa place in NJ and she said you can still have a sensitivity to titatium with out having an allergy. Just good info to keep in mind.

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[Serbin](#) Nov 21, 2011

Please call me back this afternoon. You left a number but cannot hear two of the numbers. Please go slow if you leave it again.

Look forward to your call.

To all my old friends out there.....So glad to hear that you are doing well.

Thanks for posting. That is so rewarding to hear life is improving for NJ, don't you just love that Dr. Carrasco!!!! He does such a perfect job of removing the implants. God Bless those hands.

Hope we get word of more and more good surgeons out there and we can have contacts for people in many states to go to. Please keep the thread going with all good news, so we can help others who are so frustrated and looking for info.

Have a good day,

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[smileynow](#) Nov 22, 2011

Well well well. I do believe I heard the same story thousands of miles away here in the Western U.S.. Yes. When the buckaroo who installed my implant said it was either the tooth behind the or that I was in need of psychiatric help, I went to another oral surgeon. In 30 years he had removed "a couple" of osseointegrated implants for "psychological" reasons. In addition I remember some young girl rolling her eyes as a walked past her desk--oh yeah, it is that crazy woman complaining about her implant again. I too, was referred to a neurologist because of course I had a neurological issue such as tic deleroux, trigeminal neuralgia, or m.s.. Well, I have been to 3 neurologists for neurological exams, which are completely normal. I have been to a neuro-opthamologist to investigate the eye irritation which coincides with not using antimicrobials to keep the infection down, and he says there is absoloutly no evidence of pathology in the eye. Yay! The only neurologist I had issue with was the one who wanted an m.r.i. with contrast.. The gadolinium is a metal and I am not having it in my body.

I too, developed irritation around the implant about 6 months after the implant was placed. This is because of a condition called delayed hypersensitivity and also because the sinus perforation and anatomic abnormality in the sinus created by the bone graft and implant has acted as a nidus for microbes. This is one reason I improve somewhat with the antimicrobials, but not completely. This is my own conclustion after many months of suffering and being helped by an m.d. who theorized there was a fungal colonization above the implant in the sinus.

Of course you do not want to rip out some perfectly good implants when there is another problem, so it would be prudent to do the investigation. I personally would not let them go too far with introducing more potentially harmful substances in your body or other invasive procedures. The other issue is of radiation.....make sure they cover your thyroid when they are taking x-rays or doing the ct scan. This is something I have learned after having 4 ct scans in the last two years.

This is unbelievable. There is plenty of evidence regarding metal sensitivity as has been cited through this entire thread. This information is available to them or anyone who is interested. That the governing bodies of dentistry are choosing to ignore this and the people whose lives are affected is insane. You are in a position where you will need to think for yourself, because the doctor who installed your implant has forgotton a basic precept of science--an inquiring mind. His business dictates it is better to deny any such possibilty, so there you have it.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 22, 2011

just a quick note before I head to dentists in DC. I had the implant for 2 years before I realized I was ill. I had some minor symptoms during the first year and a half that I didn't pay attention to. Just because you don't have symptoms immediately doesn't mean it is not making you sick. Some peoples immune system's do a better job of fighting it off.

Second, my implant looked fine on xrays, including panoramic, looked good on ct scans and mri. Only when the surgeon took the implant out did he see signs that my body was rejecting it, which was pink granulated soft tissue at the top of the implant instead of bone. That does not show up in xrays etc. Infection does not show up either.

i just found out about an organization for biological dentists. you can go to the website to see if there is one in your area. It is called the International Academy of Oral Medicine and Toxicology. Go to IAOMT.org

here is a blurb from website

The Vanguard of Science -

Based Biological Dentistry

The IAOMT is a network of dental, medical and research professionals who seek to raise the standards of scientific biocompatibility in the dental practice with information from the latest interdisciplinary research.

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 22, 2011

I have to chime in again. :)

I am so grateful for this information here, It has really helped me to get through this past 6 weeks as i have made the discovery that it is in fact the implants that have been my issue and making the very emotional and tough decision to remove them. I met again with my dentist last night and shared with him my concerns about a zirconium implant. He totally understood and said he can make a maryland type non metal bridge for my front tooth and a bridge for the back tooth.

I also asked if we could skip a bone graft which was planned and he said it would not be a problem. Again understanding that my body for some reason has issues, sensitivities with things being inserted into the bone.

I will have the back one removed by the oral surgeon on Dec 3 and the front one removed on Dec 30. I am feeling confident with both dentis and my decision so this is good.

Smileynow good advice about not having the dye with the MRI. I did not know better and had it done. MY neck hurt for 7 months straight after my MRI and my symptoms got worse. Covering the thyroid would have been good to know too. Now I am on thyroid med for the first time ever.

I will let you all know how the removal goes on the 3rd and i am expecting the best!

Thanks for listening. My good thoughts and prayers go out to all of you here.

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[lambyoung72](#) Nov 22, 2011

Hello Serbin,

I actually haven't called you, at all, or left any messages. But I appreciate you being available if I had called. You are very caring to help people out in this way.

I had the implants out on Friday. Overall, the procedure went fairly well. The surgeon had to use a mallet to tap on the implants to get them to loosen up enough for them to be screwed out. That was a bit unnerving. Because the implants were in my slightly up into my sinuses (I had a sinus bump when they were placed), the sinus membrane did stick to the implants on the way out. So, I have been put on amoxicillin for 10 days. My surgeon told me this was a possibility when I first consulted him. He assured me that the membrane heals in about 2



weeks and that the sinus tissue will heal completely. So, I was disappointed that the sinus membrane stuck, but, I knew it was a possibility and there was no way to avoid it if I wanted the implants out.

The pain is decreasing every day. I had to keep gauze in my mouth for the first day. But, the bleeding stopped fairly quickly (in about 24 hours). The swelling is decreasing. The pain I had in my temple prior to the removal (it had started about a week before the removal) is improving and decreasing. So, I know I have done the right thing, now, my body just needs to heal itself and recover.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 23, 2011

I went to DC for my cavitation assessment with a second dentist and he had another dentist/friend in from Cali observing him. I was so excited to meet her as she said she treats a lot of what you and I are experiencing. She is in Santa Barbara, not exactly next door for you but better than AZ. Here is her info: Cynthia C Copeland 805-729-5480, wholehealthdds.com

They are not using the cavitat machine anymore. Too many false positives. Using cone beam ct scan and bio energetic testing now. The consensus is that my remaining issue is mold in my sinus, which is very difficult to get rid of. My dr here did another ozone injection into my jaw on monday and yesterday the dr in dc was able to inject ozone into my tmj joints in order to get the ozone to the back of my sinus where the mold was able to evade the therapies I have been doing. I also had a treatment with ozone administered with a nasal cannula. The ozone is bubbled through olive oil and a lot easier to tolerate that way. Hoping this works. I am also eating raw to try to starve the mold. We'll see.

Hope you can check out Dr Copeland, she is one of the good ones.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 25, 2011

Happy Thanksgiving and thank you for the name of the Dr. in Santa Barbara. It is exciting she has training in oral medicine & toxicology as well as the Huggins Protocol. I have read about Dr. Huggins, and been thinking a practitioner versed in this method would be beneficial. It would be great is if she works with an oral surgeon experienced in removing osseointegrated implants. Next week I have an appt. with an oral surgeon out of state. I am told the surgeon is backed up and will not be able to do the removal until 2012. Maybe when he sees the problem he will know what to do about the mountain (and subsequent valleys) created in the sinus by the large implant, so I hope the appointment will be worth the drive. Not knowing if he will take my case and not knowing if he has repaired sinuses with this type of issue is making me hesitate. I would rather he look at the CT scan long distance, tell me his experience, and make a plan before having me drive all the way to CA.. I bet if I spoke with your Santa Barbara Dr. she would immediately agree with the necessary removal of the metal!

I have been thinking about mold for a long time as a possible contributor to my predicament, as recently I discarded a beautiful (looks aren't everything!) Maytag Neptune washer with a disgusting mold between the steel drum & tub that I was unable to eradicate. There also is a black mold that grows out of the sink drain in the utility room, also. When I use antibiotics, as I have over the years for bladder issues, there is a black or grey mucus that is apparent when using the sinus irrigation. It only goes away when using the antifungals. Then, last

week the m.d./homeopath did bioenergetic testing & finds I react to Stachybotrus, a toxic mold which is black. So, did I come home from the implant surgery with an injury to the sinus which allowed the mold to settle there? I guess it makes sense if mold can grow in your washer, sink drains, shower, & building materials, it can grow in your sinus? Yuck! If the mold were the only problem, though, the entire family would be sick, which is not the case.

So, by using ozonated olive oil and getting ozone injections to the jaw you will be able to eradicate the mold? How did they find it? Can they see it on your CT scan?

Thanks for the information on the Cavitat. I did not know that it was not being used so much anymore. Most of all thanks for the name of the Dr. in Santa Barbara-maybe she will know where I can get this implant out if things don't pan out next week.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 25, 2011

You must feel relieved the procedure is over! Let's pray the healing will begin. If you are happy with your surgeon, I might like to know where he is located. Next week I am consulting with a surgeon in Northern CA. Hopefully a resolution will come sooner rather than later for me.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 25, 2011

It sounds like you have a good surgeon in that you won't have to take a chance on having issue with the bone graft material.

You and I don't seem to be the only ones for whom the implants provoked thyroid troubles. I remember Bertin76 also complained about thyroid pain and that is one of the first symptoms I had after the implant procedure, only I didn't make the connection. Now, I am taking thyroid meds as well, but I don't think enough. Never in my life have I had to put aside physical activity as in these last two years. Did you get testing for anti-thyroid antibodies? One Dr. said I now have Hashimotos. I am sure this implant stirred up all this trouble and wonder how many others now have thyroid issues due to implants.

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 25, 2011

I have a doctor that does not use synthroid but gave me Amour Thyroid and it did not work for me due to reverse TR (RT3) which I learned can happen when your body is in distress. He put me on cytomel and wow, did it do the trick. I have not been fatigued since taking it. This is a miracle for me really. If you want to learn more visit the site stop the thyroid madness. They have so much good information. Hopefully I can get my thyroid and everything else back in order soon.

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 25, 2011

by the way, I seem to have a boatload of doctors now. prior to implants i had no doctors. (except monthly cleanings at the dentist and the very rare visit to the typical primary care doctor)

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 26, 2011

You are correct when you say the implant changed the landscape in your sinus to one that harbors microbes, mold included. My docs also put me on antibiotics and steroids which feed the mold (as well as yeast and fungus) and then it was really able to take hold. I had all three in the sinus and the mold is the one that is by FAR the hardest to eradicate. As my Dr puts it "these things were designed to put us in the ground". I don't need to worry about that anymore but left untreated that is what happens.

I was exposed to stachy mold (the black one you refer to) in my home for quite a few years. We had a slow leak in the master shower and there was mold in the wall for years that we didn't know about. The ironic thing is that we bought a brand new home to avoid issues with mold as my 2 children were sick from mold in the apt we were in when they were babies. The implant and the mold exposure created the perfect storm for me to get sick with mold in my sinus.

Mold can grow in other parts of your body as well but when the sinus has been perffed by a metal implant it seems that it is extremely difficult to clear. The ozone will kill anything it comes into contact with, the trick is the contact part. I suspected mold in my sinus when I first discovered the slow leak none of my drs would even talk to me about it. Very few drs know anything about it. It doesn't show up on CT scans. I think there is some kind of blood test and some eye test but you need to work with a mold specialist. The one that I found, Shoemaker, the grandfather of mold, sees patients but from my understanding he is only interested in research. Allegedly, he knows how to cure you but he will withhold the remedy so he can use you as a guinea pig to test whatever new drug he wants to test, one I wonder if he has a financial interest in, allegedly. I wanted to get a plate and culture of what was growing in my sinus to see exactly what was growing. My ENT said the only way to do that was surgery in the OR but I do not believe that is the case. He prob meant that was the only way he was willing to do it.

I have had it diagnosed by two different drs (one MD and one DDS) using bioenergetic testing. I am hoping that the ozone injections work. I am also taking oil of oregano and a homeopathic nosode but am leaning towards taking drastic measures with my diet, which I have started, to try to starve the mold. In the past when I follow the body ecology diet I feel back to normal, it is amazing. I am also taking welchol ( a cholesterol lowering med) which binds to the toxins from the mold and flushes them out.

You may want to call a reputable mold testing company to see if you have spores in the air of your home. It is recommended that you have an independent company do the testing, as the remediation company will have a conflict of interest when testing. I was very fortunate to find a very reputable remediation company who also did the testing, but I understand the conflict of interest issue.

As far as you being the only one ill at home I hate to say it but out of the four of us here at home, I was the only one to get sick. The perffed sinus is the most obvious issue. The other thing is that it is not the mold that makes you ill, it is the aflatoxins it gives off once in your body. So people who have healthy immune systems can be exposed to toxic mold and not get sick at all. That is a fact that I am very grateful for, my family has been spared this nightmare.

I am praying that you do not have to add mold sickness to your list but if you do test positive at home you should call me to talk about remediation. I had to go through it twice as we made some mistakes the first time and recontaminated.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 26, 2011

Have you come across a nasal wash that treats mold? There is a MD in AZ, Gray I believe, that presented a research paper at the aspergilium conference recently. He cured a woman who was being treated for cancer of the sinus. He found it was in fact a mold infection and used some sort of nasal wash I believe, maybe containing bentonite. I will try to go see him if i don't have success with current protocol.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 26, 2011

**\*\*correction\*\***

I meant mycotoxin instead of aflatoxin in my previous post.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Nov 26, 2011

i was able to answer my question re: nasal wash by rereading your posts. i am going to look into iv ozone and UV treatments also.

rereading your posts, it is amazing how similar our cases are. my symptoms are MUCH better than when I started posting here. I kind of forgot how ill I was. My sinus trouble has resolved I would say 90% my real issue now is fatigue but even that has improved significantly.

One thing that I did not mention previously that has helped me immensely is a KMT machine. I don't know what it stands for but it is a small device like a rife machine that has electrodes that you put on certain points of your body. It delivers a micro current that gets at microbes that are burrowed in your body and makes them vulnerable to the remedy you take to eliminate them. This is great for us as the landscape in our sinuses allows microbes to hide. It also is great for lyme as the spirochete burrows and the micro current has an action similar

to shaking a tree. It also teaches the immune system to deal with invaders. This seems to be the one treatment that has helped people beat chronic lyme, me included.

I hope you find someone soon to help you get that implant out.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 27, 2011

Thank you for all of the information on mold. I wonder if cleaning the nasty sink drain with a brush put lots of spores in the air. There is a mold testing lab in town where I took a sample from our washer--it had a very high levels of cladosporidium & bacteria, even though I keep a clean house. It is amazing Maytag put out such poorly designed machines. I had never heard or thought of mold growing on human tissue before, though.

If I mention mold to the oral surgeon next week he will think I've been reading too much science fiction. The evidence of black mucus (I took a picture of it) and pain on top of the implant that disappears with antifungal medication, as well as the bioenergetic testing for stachybotrus might be viewed as evidence of delusional thinking and a perchant for new age hocus pocus, so I don't know if I'll bother. Maybe if he can successfully remove the large screw from my jaw and repair my sinus I will be most pleased with him. Then, I can consult with the dentist in Santa Barbara and my M.D.s here about eradicating the harmful microbes.

Now, the Dr. who would purposely withhold a known cure on the basis of a financial incentive to be achieved--he is a smaller example of what is wrong with healthcare. This goes on in a bigger way more than we know. Think about the big business of treating Cancer, and ask yourself if there really is a "War on Cancer." When I was getting the i.v. treatments with ozone & ultraviolet blood irradiation I had time to talk to a man with pancreatic cancer. He had traveled to N.Y. & Texas to get some of the latest treatments for his type of cancer. He said of the 30 people he started with in N.Y.(it was a research group) that he is the only one left. He said he had done both chemo & radiation and would not recommend them to anybody. He was in getting an infusion of Vit.C and alpha lipoic acid, I think. Interesting. I don't mean to be so down on it all, because some things have gotten better for sure. It would certainly be better to break an arm now than 100 years ago, but you wonder about the incentives when you go through the kind of trouble that we have had with these implants, which are a very lucrative procedure for dentists, and the negative consequences seem to be unknown or downplayed. We were not informed of the negative effect on the immune system and the sinus or the kinds of materials available.

Anyway, I so appreciate all of the information and giving me your number. I need to focus on getting better, and taking the next step.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 02, 2011

You are right, it would be pointless to mention mold to anyone who doesn't know how to treat it, which includes most physicians. There seem to be few ENTs who will even acknowledge the study done by the Mayo Clinic which shows that chronic sinusitis is caused by fungus published more than 10 years ago. Even when they do acknowledge the study the drs I have seen have no protocol to treat it.

Good news on my end. I have had the best week in 5 years. Since I had the last round of ozone injections last week I have really turned a corner. My MD still detects mold in my sinus but I am feeling a lot better. I took hot yoga classes every day, rode my bike for 20 miles one day and felt like I could have done 20 more, started running.....still can't run but I did run/walk intervals. For the last 2-4 years just a walk to the mailbox would require rest. Prior to this illness I trained triathlons. 70 miles on the bike, 10 mile runs, 2 hour master swim classes were all routine. I can't believe I am going to get my life back!

I hope this gives you hope. Our cases are so similar, it would seem that all you are going through is completely reversible.

Oh, and one last thing. I started wearing an appliance for apnea, really to align my jaw since I don't have apnea, yet, but was on my way. It's similar to a retainer. I have been wearing it to bed for about a week so I thought that maybe it was helping me a little. Well, my dr tested me with it on and he couldn't believe what a huge difference it made for me. Opening everything up so I get more oxygen to the brain, opening sinuses. He encouraged me to wear it during the day also. So I just wanted to pass that along. I had know idea something like that could be so important. The dr in DC told me he thought the appliance would make a huge difference to improve my health. Looks like he was right!

Good luck with your upcoming appointment!

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 04, 2011

First Post is being removed tomorrow!

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 04, 2011

I mean implant. :) The second one comes out on the 16th. Scary--- but I am glad I am doing it.

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[Serbin](#) Dec 05, 2011

Hi to everyone,

I think we have a good thing going here. Lots of helpful information being accumulated. We do need a good dr. for removal out on the west coast, So please forward the name and phone number, address of some successful removals, so I can have it to refer people to who may call for help and please post on thread.

In reference to the Melissa test.....I recommend you not waste your money!! I had it done. Spent a lot of money...came back that I was only slightly allergic to titanium. Also had titanium taped to my body. No reaction....But I cannot take meds with titanium dioxide in them...causes breathing problem. and the titanium in implant certain caused its havic with me, as it has with all of you.

So if you have have started having feelings of tiredness, sore joints and ringing in ears, etc. weeks after implants...you do not need the test and waste a lot of money. That is from my experience.

Sorry to hear the one case where they had to tap on the implant and had it involved with the sinuses. That is the first one that we have heard of. All the rest so far, have come out fairly simple and painless.

Yes, it does take a while for the bleeding to stop. I think that is the hardest part..keeping that gauze up against the gum in your mouth til it clots. If that is the worse, then I would say the removal is a "piece of cake" :-)

I think all of you will agree that the peace of mind that you immediately get after the removal is just the best feeling in the world. As one person recently mentioned...the anguish of deciding to keep or take out the implants is just exhausting.

I hope this thread serves as a terrific holiday present to all our new people out there seeking help about their implant related illnesses and it helps in making their removal decision a lot easier.

Happy holidays to all my implant removal friends out there with all your plans for the holiday.

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[smileynow](#) Dec 06, 2011

Last week I went to see the head of oral surgery at the University of California San Francisco. I read on an internet medical advice column of someone being advised to go there as they were in need of a sinus repair due to dental complications. According to this oral surgeon (advice columnist), Dr. P is reputed to have excellent skills for someone in need of this type of surgery. I also figured this surgeon would give an honest opinion and be familiar with a variety of complex cases.

Sitting next to me in the waiting room was a woman with 5 implants in her lower jaw that were all placed incorrectly and resulted in facial numbness and pain. Like me, she had gone to a practitioner who places many implants. She said she felt like she had "nails" in the head. I figured I was in the right place.

The good news is that he says he removes about 3-4 implants/week. For me he said it will be hard to avoid being in the sinus when the implant is removed, so he will be addressing debris that may have accumulated in the sinus during the last two years of inflammation due to the implant. He also corroborated with another dentist in that it was "a long shot" to even get an implant placed in the amount of bone and space that was available. He wasn't big on explaining things or going into detail, which is something I would have liked. I asked him, "So, is this going to fix the abnormality/problem in the sinus?" I don't know if he answered it or even could. He also said he could do it with a local anesthetic which for me lessens the chance of reactions to drugs or a hospital



stay.

After first introducing himself he wasted no time in asking what both my husband and I do for a living? Then, he said it was so that he could use the appropriate vocabulary in our presence. As if I couldn't ask for clarification?? I almost felt like didn't like me, or maybe he just has a strange bedside manner. I don't know. You could get a perfectly charming surgeon who has the skills of a logger. That would be worse.

I wasn't able to schedule at the time because he had to put the information into the system. Any advice regarding oral surgeons on the West Coast would be welcome at this time.

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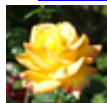
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How are you feeling?

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 06, 2011

Thanks for asking.

Well....the tool he ordered to remove it was the wrong size! 1/2 way through he had to stop.

So, they are sending the correct size and I will have it removed on the 15th and then the other one on the 16th.

Lots of emotional drain yesterday.

The good news is he feels very confident it will come out with ease and from the x rays he says he has enough room from the sinus so that should not be a problem.

The wait continues...

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 06, 2011

weird bedside manner of that surgeon you met with!

But if he knows what he is doing I guess that is what matters most, and you don't have alot of choices.

The surgeon that put my implants in was one of the best so I am told. His bedside manner was really laking, but like you said I thought better someone that knows what they are doing then someone with a great personality!

When all is said and done with me I will be sharing the names and contact information of my dentist and oral surgeon. I do have faith that it will all work out in the end.

I send good thoughts and prayers your way.

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[smileynow](#) Dec 07, 2011

Hi terrybrown12 & pardon for asking again, but how long have you had your implants? The most common way I have heard for removal is a trephine burr--a drill that circles around the implant and cores a hole larger than the implant. That is interesting if the implant can be removed by "unscrewing" it from the surrounding bone. In that way maybe it is better to go to the practitioner who installed it. I am just wondering how it works if the bone has grown around it.

Today I got the treatment plan in the mail from the surgeon who will remove the implant and clean the whole area out via a Caldwell-Luc type procedure which would take 2 hours and could be done in early January. The other alternative he mentions is to learn to live with what I have & get on with life. So I guess taking all the meds I do and feeling crappy shouldn't be a problem. So either I am being a big baby or he will cut into my sinus? If you read about the procedure, it is not without risk. I am so out of energy with these people I can't even be angry, but in a humorous way imagine taking the big screw (you know it will look nasty) out of my head and giving them all a good poke.

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 08, 2011

I have had them for 3 and 4 years. Good thing is the surgeon that put them in is right down the street so my new surgeon called him and was able to find out the exact tool needed to screw it out. I would never go to him to have them removed. He does not get it at all as to why I am having them taken out. I would not subject myself to that anxiety. I now have a team of dentist that lean more to the holistic side and believe that metals in the mouth can be replaced with biocompatible materials. My dental issues go a bit deeper than just removing the implants so it is important to me to have dentist that don't look at me like I am crazy when I share my beliefs and actually know that they share the same beliefs too!

My heart goes out to you...

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 11, 2011

Wow! 2 hours! The procedure does sound like exactly what you need though. I have been watching a few sinus surgeries on youtube, there is a dr in Scotland who likes to post his work. Will this type of procedure allow the dr to get deep into the sinus? Going through the mouth makes you wonder but they seem to be able to do some incredible things these days. Just asking as my infection is deep in my sinus and we have not had much success getting to it. Just started a new med last week but if it doesn't work I am starting to think about sinus surgery myself. May try to get out to see the dr in Arizona though before I make any decisions.

If you decide to do the surgery and it works it would be a great start to the New Year! Keep us posted.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 11, 2011

Happy Holidays to you as well!

Wishing everyone good health in 2012.

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[smileynow](#) Dec 12, 2011

Thank you so much for your post, as I have been second-guessing on whether it is necessary to violate the sinus a second time. From what I understand entering and scraping the lining of the sinus permanently changes the landscape of the sinus and damages the cilia, which function to continually sweep debris out of the sinus. Unfortunately you and I both had this inadvertently done when we had our implants placed. Weren't we thinking that removing the implant & grafting material would in itself remove the irritant? You have had that done & used antimicrobials as well, but still have a trouble with the mold/fungus in the sinus? Have you used the Amphotericin B Nasal wash after irrigations? That really has helped me, but not in a way that eliminates the problem permanently. Another thing you have done is eliminate toxic mold from your environment. Hmmmmmm. One of the M.D.s who helped me tried neural therapy, but I wasn't really sold on it enough to have more sessions. I didn't see how it would help with the source of inflammation still there. That is discouraging you still are having issues with your sinus after all you have been through!

The reason for second guessing probably had something to do with using Amphotericin B nasal wash & Nizoral right now, so at least I can function. Sometimes I actually feel no pain or symptoms around the implant, but it is only when using anti-fungals. Then, I like having a tooth there.....if not for the other odd symptoms in the feet and hands. It would be nice if that would go away.

Meanwhile I don't know if I should have this surgeon, who is the chair of an oral surgery dept.--(you know he can't be a loser) do it, or search for someone who is more alternative because it seems the standard methods of practice are what got me into this predicament.

Then, Serbin has better health that before her implant was removed and I think some of the others--cascpa431? It is good to know just removing the foreign body/metal seems to improve some people, including you?

Happy Holidays.:)

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 13, 2011

Today is the day! Ran (jogged) 7.5 miles in 90 minutes on the treadmill!!!! Had to stop about every half mile to keep my heart rate under 160 but I do believe I am getting my mojo back! I am in heaven.

Thanks for reminding me about the Amph B, wanted to ask you. What concentration are you using? I found a Pubmed article <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/17424868> that said the standard concentration of 100 microgm/ml was ineffective however 200 and 300 microgram/ml stopped fungal growth. Are you able to adjust the concentration yourself? Do you need a script?

I started using half a ml per 500ml of SSKI for nasal wash and I believe that is what is helping me (only did it past 2 days so far and haven't been rechecked yet for mold but I am guessing it will take about 6 weeks to kill off based on pubmed article). I feel really clear after using it.

As for you second guessing extraction I would urge you to have it done. No matter what you do with that metal in your body you will never be free from the toxic mold, not to mention heavy metal poisoning. I am hyper focused on the mold issue as it is so much harder to clear and it produces POWERFUL CARCINOGENIC toxins. My dr has been very clear about that and has asked me several times if I am up to date with my female cancer screenings. I also am a fan of neural therapy. There is an inflammatory response that occurs as a result of microbial infection in people like us, the clinical term is cascade and it has been well documented that if the cycle is allowed to continue we end up with things like MS, ALS, cancers, pretty much dead one horrible way or another. Dr Klingardt talks about this as well as dr Shoemaker, two geniuses that I feel I owe my life to although I have never met either one. Anyway, neural therapy is one way to break some of the cascade and allows healing. Dehydrated garlic (open caps in let sit in water for 1 minute before drinking) and vigorous exercise are also ways to break through the "biofilm" that people like us have which harbors the microbes, allowing them to thrive and hide from the remedies we use.

So what are you thinking? Is having the extraction done and leaving the sinus alone (except for cleaning it out with ozone at the time of extraction) an option for a wait and see approach? What a tough call. There are plenty of people who have had sinus surgery to smooth the landscape and done really well. Then there are those who are worse. Bottom line is it seems like you know you need the implant out? I am going to give it my best shot to get rid of the mold for the next six weeks and then I will try the dr in Az and if all fails I will seriously consider surgery to remove the mold.

I hope you do not use my time line in considering how quickly your health will be restored. I felt SO much better immediately after extraction but then it was months before I realized the big issue of mold, then throw in the lyme and pneumonias for good measure. It was late summer before I started to seriously address the mold and late Sept when I started ozone therapy so I would say three months and then you may be almost back to normal?

I would meditate on it a lot and follow my gut if I were you. Well, that as well as research a lot (your strong suit) and follow your gut. You will know what to do and have peace with your decision and be on your way to restored health.

Happy holidays!

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[smileynow](#) Dec 13, 2011

Hi there. You need a script for the Amphotericin B nasal spray, & the M.D./Homeopathic practitioner who started me on it mixes it himself--I don't know what the concentration is, but I can ask next time I go in. Another time I purchased some from a compounding pharmacy, but it didn't seem as potent. The mix the Dr. makes is a strong golden yellow, where as what came from the compounding pharmacy was a lighter pale gold. Also, the M.D. told me that most of his clients use the mix for 3 months and then they are finished. It is only me who has been using it for a year. He thinks maybe there is something dead which fungus is growing on. Cheery.

The surgeon who as agreed to remove the implant and deal with the sinus issue is the chair of the oral surgery dept. @ U.C.S.F., so I don't think he will be using ozone as it is not mainstream yet. Finding a competent oral surgeon who uses ozone is a rarity, I've found.

What is SSKI? Is it the dentists who are administering ozone via dental injections? In this way you can avoid cavitation surgery? I had 10 i.v. ozone treatments (5 + 5 for two weeks straight) last winter. Each treatment took about two hours. I did this last winter in an attempt to cure the infective portion of my troubles and also reverse autoimmune issues. Looking back, it was very helpful. I may do another series if necessary.

In looking into the household mold so far I'm being told I need to have some obvious toxic spill or warped flooring with mold growing up the walls to have any reason to be troubled by environmental contaminants. One industrial hygienist did tell me he had a titanium rod in his neck & told me any foreign body, especially metal, is a nidus for infection. He was telling me he has to take antibiotics before he gets his teeth cleaned, so that he doesn't get an infection around the rod in his neck.

It certainly sounds like you are getting your life back. Yay! Happy Holidays.:)

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[scargills](#) Dec 14, 2011

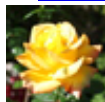
Hi to everyone who reads these posts. I live in the UK and had 2 upper implants removed 7 years ago, I had them for 3 years. I still have some left all in the upper jaw and have many issues with the remaining implants. I had a terrible problem trying to find someone who would remove the implants who thought I really was mad. He made me feel so stupid I will not go back to him. When I get more time I will post my whole story but I just wanted you all to know in my case the very well integrated long implants came out after drilling around them in about 15 mins each one. I had no pain after, well not much and although I have a very slight dent where they were I am able to wear a partial with no problem at all. The pain from around these 2 implants dissappeared in a day and all the gum issues healed in a week. The only mistake I have ever made in my life is having dental implants and the best thing I have ever done is have 2 out!!

I now need to find a very skilled and understanding surgeon who will take the rest out. I know then my sinus and many other problems will go away. Please do not be frightened about implant removal, it is only a problem because implant dentists do not want to admit that implants are not for everyone.

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 14, 2011

.Thanks for the positive post as I am having two removed this Thursday and Friday. This makes me feel a bit less nervous.

I was at my dentists last night and we were discussing the whole thing about typical dentist thinking this is a mental issue with people who want them removed. Who would ever subject themselves to wanting implants removed after all the cost to put them in, then the cost to remove them!!!??

You would have to be pretty damn crazy to do that.without good reason!!

We know our bodies and we have the courage to fix a very real problem. Cheers for us. :)

I thank my lucky stars that when I made this decision the right dentist and surgeon fell into my lap.

I hope you find someone to help you with the rest of your implants.

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[scargills](#) Dec 14, 2011

So glad you were able to read my post and hoped it helped. I should have said the slight dent left after removal was like one left when having a tooth out, I can only see it when I lift my lip high up. Did not mean to worry anyone. I got myself into such a state about the removal I thought my heart would stop but I cannot believe how easy it was and how little pain I had afterwards.

Although I had been told there was nothing wrong one implant had dead bone at the tip and the other had soft bone on one side, I actually cried because no one would believe me that I was in pain as all tests xrays appeared normal. I now have major gum recession around the other implants as I believe my body cannot cope with these foreign objects.

You are so right, who in their right mind would go through having implants and then want them taken out if they did not have major problems.

Finding the right person to take them out is the key and this is not easy. I also think it takes a lot of courage to ask for help.

Good wishes to you, stay calm.

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[smileynow](#) Dec 15, 2011

Thank you so much for the good news!

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[smileynow](#) Dec 15, 2011

Great news from scargills and just what you need for tomorrow. I am so happy you have found a competent surgeon who will remove the implants and am going to be thinking the best for you. Perhaps this will be the first step in getting your old life back!

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 15, 2011

Good luck! hope the extraction went well! keep us posted

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 15, 2011

SSKI is super concentrated potassium chloride, i get it by script from my dr in jersey.

shoemaker started using VORICONAZOLE NASAL SPRAY instead of amph B, got better results.

want to talk to you more about mold and also a new protocol I am researching but i am rushing now. will try to write more later. running out to an an appt with a DC who does SOT craniopathy which is supposed to help my sinus drain.

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 15, 2011

. Hi Everyone,

One implant out one to go(next week). Surgeon said it came out easier than he expected. I was nervous so it was a stressful procedure for me. I actually cried from relief when it came out.

After much thought and research I decided to have the zirconium implants put in. I am sharing this so others who read this one day can see it is an option.

Too much to write about now but I am very happy and very comfortable with my decision. Bridges and partials were not really an option for many reasons.

If any one has anything negative to say about this, for my mental well being please refrain at this time. This has been a long road and no decisions have been made lightly.

Thanks for the support and information here, it has been more help than you all can imagine.

I will keep you all poste. Hopefully there will not be to much pain when the novicane wears off.

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 16, 2011

morning after--no pain in the extracted area, just pain from the Novocain. This is a pleasant surprise as I was expecting there to be pain afterwards.

Took one aleave last night just to be safe but I really did not need it.



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[smileynow](#) Dec 16, 2011

Wow! One down & one to go.

It makes sense that the zirconium will not react with the other metals in your mouth. You must have a progressive oral surgeon if he is using the ceramic implants. Every oral surgeon and/or periodontist I have consulted only places the titanium implants.

Happy healing.:)

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 16, 2011

so blessed that as soon as I made the decision these two angels of dentists were right down the street and happy to take this on.

You know titatium implants also block the energy flow in the body to vital organs, this is troublesome too. Zirconium allows the energy to flow through.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 16, 2011

So happy for you!!! Can't wait to hear how your health progresses.

As for the zirconium ceramic implant the biological/holistic dentist I see at NIHA in DC has been using them for years with great results. Won't use any other type of implant; that is a stamp of approval I respect very much.

Hoping things continue to go smoothly for you and thanks so much for the update.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 16, 2011

I just got back from DC (exhausted). Still have mold in my sinus. This time he drilled into my jaw first and then injected ozone. 4 spots. The reason I felt so much better after my last visit, besides that I am getting some

quality sleep, is that last time he did something called Allergy Relief Technique (ART) which one year ago I would have called voodoo but it really works. can't really explain how it is done, it is energetic, but it stopped the allergic response I was having to the mold. So even though I am still infected it is not making me sick anymore. It taught my body how to coexist with it without going into the whole cascade cycle I was telling you about. This man is a combination of a genius and energetic healer, I am blown away. Oh, btw his name is Mark McClure is it hadn't come up before.

So we have developed a new strategy, I am going all in to hit this thing as hard as I can. Doing detox after the holidays and I will be in DC for a week so he can hit me with ozone injections and IVs and knock the \$h!# out of this stuff.

Also wanted to tell you a little more about mold. I have also heard that if you had a mold problem you would see it but it is not true. The slow leak we had in the shower caused mold growth that took 10 years to finally eat away enough of the wall for us to see it. When the demolition was done we were able to see that the mold had eaten away a good chunk of 2 by 4 as well as a very good sized hole in the floor board beneath the tile. The damage was not visible to us at all (except a tiny amt of mold on the molding which appeared after 10 yrs) until we did the demo. The stories I have read from people who have mold sickness are similar to mine. The lucky ones who see the problem right away usually are not ill. I am really hoping you don't have a mold problem at home but it seems like you have been exposed at some point? Maybe in a building you have worked in? The ducts in office buildings have been identified as sources of mold making people ill.

I know I am hyper focused on mold because it has made me so ill so I certainly hope I am not being too annoying about it.

Happy Holidays!

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 17, 2011

Wishing you the best. That mold stuff really is horrible. I am glad you are on top of it and I am sure you will be well in good time!

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[smileynew](#) Dec 19, 2011

If you do an internet search on heavy metal toxicity and mold there is a connection. I am certain there is a mold/fungus in my sinus because whenever I go off the antifungals & use antibiotics I get a grey mucus that looks like it has lint in it. It is only because one M.D. who actually listened to my history & symptoms put 2 + 2 together and had me try the Amphotericin B nasal wash/spray (more like a squirt bottle) that I am feeling as good as I am. I am so thankful for him. My traditional allergist keeps telling me there cannot be mold/fungus in my sinus because #1 he doesn't see it on the ct scan #2 a skin test from 08' shows no reaction to molds. How does a test from 08' have anything to do with an injury to the sinus and breathing mold from a washer I will never know. A great majority of the M.D.s & dentists today have been brainwashed to actually believe they are being told the whole truth by "authorities" too much influenced by profit and politics. Gee, if you see something that you are told doesn't exist, does that mean it really doesn't exist?? I only went back to him because I wanted

a refill on an rx.

The dentist you told me about in CA told me of a mold dr. in CA. Meanwhile, the dogs itch, one has terminal eye weeping, husband & I both have intermittent numbness/tingling (he thinks some of his symptoms stem from titanium clips used in an abdominal surgery), kid is tired all the time (but maybe due to too much homework), congested half the time. I would find it hard to breath if not for the Nizoral/ Amphotericin. We disposed of the moldy Maytag--really I should post a pic of that piece of crap online. Can the mold just stay in your clothes indefinitely? It would be quite costly to replace everything!

Meanwhile counting down the days until Jan. 17th when the screw will be out of my head. This surgeon, who is head of oral surgery @ U.C.S.F. says he can clean out the sinus as well, so maybe that is my chance to physically rid myself of the mold. I just wish he could rinse the area with ozone as well. Maybe just getting rid of the metal and big dip in the sinus will be enough to discourage further mold growth.

Meanwhile is it possible giving up a daily Dr. Zevia drink maybe is improving some symptoms? How much aluminum do you get from a canned beverage?

Tomorrow I will be calling another industrial hygienist or mold testing consultant. The one I talked to last week said we would have to see or smell the mold for it to be a problem. Other substances that contribute to sick building syndrome are numerous and it would be thousands to set up cannisters to collect samples. I have heard there are mold sniffing dogs--I wonder how they know the difference between a little and a lot of mold, because everyone has a little, don't they?

Good luck in D.C.. next week.:)

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[smileynow](#) Dec 19, 2011

If you are one of the 20 people who reported specific physical symptoms occurring after dental implant surgery, did you have numbness & tingling?

In doing a quick scan there are 6: 1)myself 2)cascpa4321 3)estring 4)lambyoung 5)fleetz 6)terrybrown. This quick check is 30%, but I didn't have the energy to go sift through every post in detail.

This would be validating information to have if you are one of the people who had or have numbness/tingling since dental implant surgery.

Thanks.:)

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 19, 2011

Numbness and tingling are my primary \*constant\* symptom, with muscle soreness and fatigue coming in next. It started right after the first implant was put in and magnified a year later when I had the second one put in.

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[Stormy1J](#) Dec 21, 2011

I thought it was just me until I read all the stories of others suffering, experiencing major health problems, diminished life/ability to perform TDL, and pain 27/7, etc.

Two years ago I had all my teeth fitted with "Zirconium" veneers! I shouldn't have been so trusting! I had/have pre-existing health problems, Such as: MS, FMS/CFS, DDD of my spine-(& the oral surgeon was aware of this), but never implied there may be allergies, or complications!

My teeth have "Hurt" ever since I had these put in my mouth-(to the point I live on Ensure, & soft foods), but the surgeon continues to ignore me, adding it's not related to the veneers! I have a horrible taste in my mouth, in spite of brushing my teeth, & worsening of the chronic pain from the diseases I have!

When brushing a few weeks ago, I noticed that this metal- "Zirconium", has actually disappeared- (obviously leaking into my body 24/7), & leaving the gold underneath exposed on several teeth, & the others are beginning to show signs of this metal overlay... Eroding! My health continues to worsen, each day is more painful than the one before, what little energy I had is gone, & I'm suffering from depression that is becoming worse!

This surgeon was paid a fortune, but continues to ignore my pleas for help, and wants me to believe this is all in my head! Now I have to wait until after the holidays just to show him "his" expensive, fancy dental restoration...Is not only "falling apart", but is poisoning me daily!

Now I've read a lot about others veneers, & implants-(but so far only "Titanium" ones)!

This brings me to another issue: In 2007, I fell- breaking my hip...Resulting in a "Total Hip Replacement", which is made using two metals: "Titanium" & "Cobalt"!!!

I would love to hear from anyone that's having serious health problems, & diminished quality of life, since having one of these three metals

surgically put into their bodies! There is not enough, or "any" research on the effects of these metals being put into someone's body! To make matters worse, the ADA, AMA, DEA, & FDA apparently want "us" to believe it's all in "our" heads-(& want to sweep all this, under the rug), dismiss people who are suffering, all because "they" did NOT do their homework/research: Before allowing these metals to be used in the general population- &/or take into consideration certain individuals who already suffer from diseases, & serious health conditions! I am angry, & each day my health status deteriorates!

Please... I would be interested in comments from anyone who is experiencing a decline in their health since having one or more of these metals put into their bodies!

It's time "someone", "anyone" in the medical profession, or our government to take action! We should not have to put up with being ignored, & blame assigned to "us"! We are human beings... Not "guinea pigs"! Someone needs a good kick in the pants-(or truthfully, their pocketbooks)! The medical & dental profession in the US is "highway robbery"! If you agree with what I'm saying, & are suffering while life now just passes us by, because each day is filled with exhaustion and pain... Please I would really like your suggestions, comments, or merely someone to listen to your story... Contact me! Alone we can do little, but together we have a fighting chance to make a change in what I consider to be a crime by those who took an oath: "First do no harm"! It's all about money & power... Isn't this sad? Whom are we supposed to trust? I will leave you with "this" to think about! In the meantime: "Happy Holidays" from "someone" who does care! Bye for now~Stormy

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[smileynew](#) Dec 22, 2011

Do you think the hip replacement started this cascade of ill health & then all the veneers just added to your situation? Most of us have noted a decline in health after the invasive procedure of lifting the sinus and/or drilling an implant into the jaw. When were you diagnosed with MS, FMS, CFS, & degenerative disk disease? Was it after the hip replacement? Oh I feel sorry for you if you had every tooth worked on and now have pain in all of them. It sounds you have a variety of metals under the zirconium?

The problem is that there is lots (as you know) of money to be made in these procedures, for obvious reasons not too much interest in studying or making known the complications and ramifications of installing these various materials in the body. For the last two years I have been going from doctor to doctor hoping for a definite diagnosis and plan of action for regaining my health, and the best I have come up with is a couple of M.D.s' who are addressing the inflammation/infection in the sinus induced by the implant. It took a year to find these guys. It has taken almost two years to find a surgeon willing to tackle the task of removing the implant and repairing or cleaning out the sinus that was disturbed by the implant. He is making no promises. As for my immune system returning to normal, only time will tell.

The best thing would be to make the public aware of the side effects of invasive procedures such as dental implants and also the effects of oral galvanism and metal sensitivity. Most dentists are ignorant and choose to stay that way, but times are going to change as the public is becoming more aware of the toxicity of various dental materials and procedures.

Another issue as you know is that certain individuals are more likely to encounter side effects due to these procedures and should be warned or screened beforehand. In my case pre-existing sinusitis/allergies and the use of nasal inhalers should have been a contraindication to the sinus lift procedure and at the very least required a CT scan to ensure the sinus wasn't perforated during the ostomy (drilling) phase of the procedure. My personal conclusion is that someone with a family or personal history of autoimmune disease and/or allergies is not a good candidate for implanting foreign substances in the body unless absolutely necessary.

In my case the very experienced and over confident periodontist looked at me and didn't even think about the ramifications. He wasn't thinking about my health, but instead about the \$3000 he was going to charge for a 45 minute procedure. He is an individual example of what is wrong with the bigger picture in medicine and dentistry. Money #1. People #2.

It has occurred to me there should be a class-action lawsuit against the ADA on behalf of people who have had their health adversely affected by sensitivity to various metals or the invasive procedure of installing an implant. In this way the public would become more aware of the risk involved and think twice before paying to have their health adversely affected. Right now the focus is on regaining my health, so I haven't spent time pursuing this.

Happy Holidays to all! We are still here. Survivors! May the coming year bring better health to us all!

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[smileynow](#) Dec 22, 2011

Medwatch is the FDA's program for reporting serious reactions and problems w/ medical products, such as drugs & medical devices. The website has a link for reporting serious adverse reactions to medical devices. Who knows if any of our symptoms would be deemed "serious"?

They claim to be "protecting and promoting your health".

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 22, 2011

so glad you booked a date for extraction! i am counting down with you.

you can absolutely have mold in your sinus without it being detected on scans. I don't even have any visible signs of discharge, just clear mucus and not alot and my 2 drs have still picked it up. If your dr knew anything about mold he/she would know that mold can be detected in the blood and a specific eye test. the mold literate drs do not diagnose with scans. and as for the allergy test first, mold sickness is not an allergy, it is a biotoxin illness, an elementary fact and second, skin \*\*\*\*\* testing for people like us whose immune system's are not working properly are invalid to diagnose allergy if it was one anyway. Gosh I am so frustrated by incompetent drs! you should go to dr shoemaker's website to arm yourself with info because i can tell you, you will know more about biotoxin illness than most drs ever will, and only then will you find someone competent to treat you. hope you can see this [survivingmold.com](#). go to the diagnosis page first and see if you think it fits you.

you are right about mold and metal. when mold is exposed to EMF's it grows at 600 times the normal rate. the metals from the implants cause EMF's to the point where one dr i saw said i was a charged battery.

as for mold in clothes they just need to be laundered properly. i washed everything i owned with Infinite Green San-A-Safe 1/8 c per load. things that can't be laundered need to be drycleaned. I didnt want to expose myself to the perc chemicals as they are very carcinogenic so i looked for a green drycleaner who does carbon cleaning. well i found a lot of "green cleaners" but i found out they were really just false advertising. i found a place that does carbon cleaning about 2 hrs away and was set to have the contents of my closet cleaned, which i estimated to be several thousand dollars when a friend offered to lend me his ozone machine. his business does remediation work after fires and to get the smoke smell out of peoples houses and clothes he uses an ozone machine. ozone also kills mold so i was very lucky i got to clean my clothes for free.

as for testing, we had our house tested several times and each time it cost approx \$400. you may want to call the mold dr to see if they recommend anyone for mold testing. i know there is a good resource online for mold testing, like a nat'l hotline that could rec someone reputable. shoemaker may even have a resource on his site cant remember.

i think you will feel a lot better after extraction and then you can see where all the pieces fit. i could not think straight at all until after mine was out and then things just came together, albeit slowly.

i am starting my new protocol in a few days. first have to do a thyroid push for 18 days. then raw foods detox for one week and will be receiving daily ozone IVs and other mold killing treatments at the same time. then 11 days of a very very strong organ flush detox. that should finally cure me. i should be totally new by feb.

and btw, i think you have the strongest case for malpractice i have ever heard. make sure you keep the implant in your possession after extraction. it sounds like the procedure was contraindicated for you given your medical history but there is always room for interpretation there; however, the dr s assistant telling him they were out of

the appropriate size implant for you and then him placing one that was way too big is the definition of negligent malpractice. i would think you have a very strong case.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 22, 2011

Welcome to the club! So sorry to hear about your health issues. I am not a dr but from what I have learned you have to try to get as much metal out of your body as possible. The different metals are interacting with each other (galvanizing) in a way that is making you sick. Any first year chemistry student knows that this happens when two or more metals are in the presence of a conductor (human body in your case) so why Drs do this is baffling. Heck, even a third grader can make a battery and understand the concept of how it works.

In the meantime you may want to look into following an alkaline diet. The metals are making your body acidic, like battery acid, and are exacerbating your pre-exisiting conditions at the very least.

I am a registered dietitian and have been researching the link between my illness and diet and am about to start a new protocol. I will keep anyone who is interested posted on this thread on how it works.

Wishing you well and glad you found us.

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 22, 2011

You mentioned diet.

I wanted to put it out there that when I got really sick after my second implant I intuitively went on a very balanced vegan raw foods only diet. I have to say it made the world of a difference. I regained back most of my health just from diet alone. It is extreme but it sure has worked to keep me functioning as well as I do.

Last implant comes out TOMORROW! :)

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 22, 2011

Bingo! you hit it on the head! Thanks so much for sharing that. i also had success with the Body ecology diet but for me the raw foods is easier, dont have to think about it. of course i am starting my new protocol after the holidays, one last hoorah!

Good Luck Tomorrow!

Oh, and if you are interested in a detox I highly recommend supplements from [supergoodstuff.com](#). If you need advice just call the # on the website and ask for Keith. I came across it while looking for supplements with very specific ingredients based on the research i have read over the years. I went looking to put together my own



protocol based on the most advanced research and was very impressed to find that this company had been using all the ingredients I was looking for years and constantly tweaking them to make them better. As I said, I start my new protocol in a few days and will post here how it goes.

Just for the record, I have not been keeping up with my plan (supplements, nasal wash, diet) as it is a crazy busy time of year and I am having some symptoms return such as fatigue, sinus congestion, headaches, joint pain. If my plan goes as expected I should be like new by Feb 1 and I will not need to devote so much time daily to maintaining my health.

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[smileynow](#) Dec 22, 2011

Thanks for the info. on the mold website. What is up with the allergist? He seems to always want to prove that the anti-fungals are unwarranted since he doesn't have an explanation as to why they help. Do you think he could look for an explanation?? They only believe what they are told to believe, I guess? Scary. Education and brains they can only use within certain parameters. When I found all the mold in the washer I was immediately alarmed & called a mold specialist who dismissed my concerns as he didn't think I fit the picture. This was before the dogs started with their incessant itching, husband with his dizziness, and kid is on her second cold since Thanksgiving. We'll see what the mold inspector finds next week.

Oh what a state I am in....nasal congestion prevented sleep last night and chocolate has been my only consolation, as it is many days. The past semi-fit life seems so far away and I have turned into one of those people who just gets through the day anyhow they can. There might be an 15 extra pounds somewhere in this room, and not on the dog. My head hurts from the sinuses through to the jaw and tmj's, my back itches non-stop. You have given me some inspiration, though, that the picture will get better. Thanks so much.

The two helpful M.D.s I've seen favor the "Eat for your Type" diet. So after eating only fish & chick for 25 years I started eating some lamb, buffalo, & beef. I think it has helped. Is it because there is sulfur in red meat that helps to remove heavy metals? Never in my life have I felt so "out of it". Brain fog or some mind altering bio-toxin. All of my teeth hurt.

Thanks again.

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[smileynow](#) Dec 23, 2011

Yes, numbness and tingling are my constant companions also, along with the above complaints. Why do you think it is worse (especially the pain) with antibiotics? I have reported this to several practitioners, and get no explanation. In retrospect, I do remember the right leg hurting more than the left last time (I think 2009, before implant) I went downhill skiing. I was taking doxycycline for ongoing skin/bladder issues. This right leg pain was greatly exaggerated after the implant & flu shot--then there was no question. So maybe there was something going on already---but not like this!

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 23, 2011

I am titanium implant free!!

The front tooth came out and it is pretty sore, but it has only been a few hours since the surgery.

What a relief it is!!!

I will post again when some time has past and will hopefully have some great news healthwise to post.

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[smileynew](#) Dec 24, 2011

You did it! I hope you will be improving daily. Did you have another zirconium implant put in? Now you will wear a partial until you can have a prosthetic tooth attached to the implant?

You must be relieved!

Did you have an itching back also--an itching under the skin? Only in the last few months (I have had my implant 2.5 yrs) I have noted a metallic taste around the implant--the gum is receding around it--maybe that is why.

Merry Christmas!

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 24, 2011

I am very swollen and sore today. I look like a monkey and am in pain. The surgeon said to expect this. The front area is more delicate than the back.

Long story short--- He decided to let the bone graft hardens before putting in the zirconium, So I will be 1 year with a flipper, which is a fake front tooth that easily comes out and in. I had it before when the original implant was out in.

Even though this is the first one he has removed he has researched this so much and talked to so many professionals. I feel he is doing a great job. I would happily recommend both of my dentist to anyone wanting to have this done.

Oh and the bone graft material is 100 percent compatible with the body. It fills in the hole and lets the body grows new bone. This will takes 6 months then the zirconium implant will go in.

Only symptoms I have really had the past six months is numbness and muscle soreness (fatigue too). I am feeling a bit better but I think only time will tell. I know I relieved to have this metal out of my head. This metal that started all my issues 4 years ago.

I will say that the implants were put in well and everything looked fine as he removed them.

Everything I have read about titanium implants has taught me that this is not something a health conscious person would want in their body. I guess what I am saying is even if the symptoms do not go away right away I know I have made a good choice and this will benefit greatly my overall health.

Happy Holidays to you all.

Going to rest and make the best of it this Christmas weekend.

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[dragonfly1026](#) Dec 30, 2011

not going into the slop job my dds done. Does anyone know if 3 pins that went into my sinus cavity could be causing my dizziness, feeling like crap, weak, low b/p. I started feeling like this almost as soon as the upper implants were put in Nov. 2010. I only found out by another DDS Dec. 2011 that they were in my sinus cavity. Any info. would be greatly appreciated. Thank You

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[dragonfly1026](#) Dec 30, 2011

I have also heard about the Melissa Test. Is it worth doing. I am sure my doc. will tell me not to, and not want to do the blood work for it. I just need to know what is wrong with me. All this started in Nov. 2010, but not until recently have I put my finger on the fact that it could be from the pins.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 30, 2011

Sorry to hear about your implants perforating your sinus, that is without a doubt the reason for your illness. I had the same experience. I felt a lot better after I had the implant extracted (there was a hole in my sinus but I refused a bone graft and the hole healed just fine on its own) one year ago but I still wasn't 100%. I learned that I had an infection in my jaw called a cavitation that was creating toxins and making me ill. That was easily remedied with a few ozone injections. The thing that continues to linger is an infection in my sinus. The implant provides a breeding ground for microbes, and the fact that it is metal causes an acidic/EMF environment that allows microbes to grow at 600x the normal rate. Since the implants perffed your sinus cavity it changed the landscape in your sinus to one that is a perfect breeding ground for microbes and for that reason it is very difficult to clear. In my experience my dr has been able to clear the bacteria and yeast but we can't seem to kill the mold. I was exposed to toxic mold during the time I had my implant in which is how it infected my sinus.

As for the Melisa test I wouldnt waste my time or money. I am assuming that your implant is titanium and there is enough data available to suggest that titanium is toxic to the human body. The dentists have been aware of this and the biological dentists as well as dentists in Europe have switched to zirconium implants which are

ceramic/glass and more bio compatible. The other thing is that a titanium implant is not pure titanium, it has other metals like nickel and when you combine 2 or more metals there is an ion exchange called galvanization which creates an EMF in your body, two drs told me I was a "charged battery" which makes your body vulnerable to the microbes we all have floating around our bodies. Over time it completely wipes out your immune system.

From what we can tell on this thread people get better after the implant is removed. I have an ongoing problem since my sinus was perffed but I am a lot better and am on a new protocol to kill the mold.

If i were you I would find a biological dentist to help you. Regular drs are not literate at all on this topic despite the body of evidence available to them for at least 20 years. I go to National Integrated Health Associates (NIHA) in DC. They treat patients like us all day long.

Good luck and keep us posted.

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[dragonfly1026](#) Dec 30, 2011

I just read all the posts on here. I will tell my long story when I have some energy. I have currently lost 50 lbs. (I did not have to loose), before this I was healthy, ran my own business. I have been doing my own research on all of this, since every other doctor has different opinions. I just want my life back. I to had an autoimmune diffeciancy called chronic ITP. He knew this. I am so extremely weak, I have not been able to drive,work, etc. and isolated in this cabin. That was not my life before his crap work (explain later). Last night I pulled up info on this DDS. He refuses to give me my medical records and panaramic x-ray unless I sighn a release form holding him,his staff and company harmless from anything they done. Finally did get his receptionist to send me info. on inplants. They are IMTEC (alloys), although I also printed out a paper last night that said the guy who makes the temps. also makes implants. It says by law, dental labrotories can only make dentures,implants and other dental devices with a prescription from a licenced dentaist. Technichians such as himselm aren't required to hols a licence or certification, although some do get a national certificate from an industry group. Does not say he did). Also found out my DDS's credentials ABD,etc.etc. shows he does not hold these credintional at all. Also he took a 1 day class on putting in dental implants. The crap work he done that he says is not his problem. I am just trying to fight to stay alive. I feel so alone in this. I had 3 implants put in years ago by an oral surgeion that I had no problem with. From reading all your posts, not 1 person can make a change, but there seems to be an awful lot of people going through similar issues that maybe need to get together and make a bloody change. It does not seem we can rely on our goverment or FDA to protect us. Please forgive me if I sound as if I am vented a bit at the moment, guess I am. Have not as I said told my whole story as to what a crap job he done in every way and then said what he actually said to me. I did have a hair test done, my regular doctor thinks it means nothing. All the other opinions I have gotten have all said how sorry they are that any DDS could do this to anyone, turn him over to the ABOD. As usual no one doctor in the same proffesion or state want to actually go up against each other. any suggestions? hOW DO YOU REALLY MAKE SOMEONE UNDERSTAND WHO IS NOT GOING THROUGH IT? i HAVE NOW BEEN SICK FOR OVER A YEAR.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 30, 2011

So sorry to hear of your troubles. How did you make out with the mold inspector? There are very few people who understand mycotoxin illness. I have been doing a ton of reading and learned that I am pretty much going to have to chart my own course back to restored health. Thank God I found my dr here and the ones in DC but really I need to advocate for myself to get this done. I was going to wait until I had results to tell you about my new protocol (just started 3 days ago) but it sounds like you are really suffering and if it works for me the quicker you look into it if you want to, the better.

So, just to let you know how I came across it, I was doing a search of ingredients for nasal wash and things to take internally to kill mold based on the most credible research I could find. I figured I would have to put together my own protocol. The first thing I found was a nasal wash that contained all the ingredients I was looking for. I couldn't believe it. I knew I was onto something so I looked at the other supplements on the website and got really excited. I called the company and spoke to the guy who develops the products and found out that he developed a protocol that would suit my needs. I spoke to the dr in DC about it and he gave me the green light.

What I learned is that my thyroid is not functioning so no matter what I do to get better it won't work/or last until I fix the thyroid. Have you taken your body temp? Mine runs low like around 97.2. Drs tell me "thats your normal" but its not normal at all. If you google wilson's temperature syndrome you can read about it. So the first thing is I have to fix thyroid which is an 18 day protocol. Included in that is a liver/gallbladder flush, another missing piece of the puzzle. Because of all the stress on my body, all the infections esp the mold, my liver needs detox. After the 18 days I go to DC for 1 week for raw food detox. I will also get iv ozone and other treatments for mold to really hit it hard. Then i do an 11 day MSM (and other things) detox. So you may be onto to something with the sulfur. The MSM is sulfur and will not only get rid of the bad stuff but will allow nutrients to get into the cells, something that has been a real problem with the whole cascade effect of mycotoxin illness.

I am really confident that this is going to be the thing that gets me 100%. I will keep you posted.

Oh, if you wanted to look at that nasal wash it is just called nasal wash and the company that sells it is called Super Good Stuff.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 30, 2011

Hope you are feeling better by now and had a good Christmas?

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Dec 30, 2011

you are right, i remember feeling what you are feeling right now. it is despicable what your dentist did. And when you finally put it all together it seems important to make it known to the guilty party, but if you feel like i felt when i still had implant i would advise you to direct 100% of your energy right now to getting better. maybe come back to holding the dentist accountable when you have more energy? you can file a complaint against the dentist on your states website for consumer affairs. that should help you get your records. but int the meantime, you need to get healthy. finding a good biological dentist is the first step.

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 30, 2011

thanks for checking on me.

It has been a tough one! Swelling has gone down but I still have mouth pain and need to have motrin every day. The surgeon is not surprised and said this is to be expected due to the way the implant was removed. He said it could take up to a month to heal. I am hanging in there!

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[Bethanne888](#) Dec 31, 2011

What are the risks and just how risky are these risks with having the implants removed. My health is declining faster and faster and my exhaustion is making making decisions for myself more and more challenging. I have severe burning mouth syndrome (stupid name for allergic reaction) and have to keep it in check with a high alkaline ph diet. I have lost 25 pounds and feel like hell. I am also having regular fillings changed out for inert materials by a holistic dentist. I am petrified to get the implants removed and am not sure what to believe or not believe the risks are. Of course the greatest risk is leaving them in - I know that.

Bethanne in Vermont

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[terrybrown12](#) Jan 01, 2012

Hi there,

I do not think there are any risks if taken out properly. Mine came out with ease. Must mention thought that the whole thing has been a MAJOR ordeal.

Finding the right person is key.

Terry

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[dragonfly1026](#) Jan 02, 2012

Since I have been so ill since my implants were put in could it be I am allergic to these implants? I almost immediately stated feeling so extremely weak,dizzy,my ears feel like they hurt and a lot of pressure in them. I had to go get other opinions on the slop job of his final "product" because he refused to even talk to me. Two

implants pulled from the bone the first time a went to take them out. One specialist my previous surgeon had sent me to for other opinion on this crazyDDS said three of the upper implants were in my sinus cavity. Could this have caused the ear pressure and pain?

He removed the 1 that was rejecting, he numbed the area and just screwed it out, nothing more.

I now for some time have been running a constant fever which is making me beleive I must have infection.

One of the other specialists before the one upper and one lower were removed said on his xray I had serious infection and was not sure if maybe the infection had gone into the bone. I went on antibiotics then in July. Now I have been off the antibiotics and I keep this fever, usually ranging from 100.6-8 and 101.1-6.

There is the weight loss of around 50lbs. since I have not been able to eat solids since July. I am blending and drinking organic.

Still feel as bad as I did in November when they were put in. This persistant fever is draining me even more. Have a lot of nasuea also.

Any suggestions and could it be possible the infection has gone into other body areas.

Any thoughts or suggestions.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Jan 02, 2012

No one on this form has reported any complications having them removed that i can recall and from what I can tell most if not all are doing better although the accuracy of that statement is limited to the people who post updates.

I was left with a hole in my sinus but it healed well on its own with no bone graft.

The one important thing to consider is choosing a competent surgeon to do the extraction. You want to make sure the candidate has lots of experience doing extractions.

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Jan 02, 2012

My implant also perforated my sinus and I had the same symptoms as you. I felt a lot better right after extraction. I didn't realize at the time I had a jaw infection called a cavitation. This caused fatigue. I had a few ozone injections which is the only way I am aware to kill the infection in the bone without surgery. That is why I recommended you find a biological dentist as they are the only ones who use ozone. I felt a lot better once the jaw infection cleared however I still have a chronic sinus infection that I am dealing with. You can scan my above posts to see where I am with that if you wish. As far as the infection getting into other organs that is a possibility. I have adrenal fatigue and my liver isn't working correctly as a result of the infections. I had my implant in for 4 years and it reeked havoc on my body and did a lot of damage to my immune system. Again



scan my above posts as I feel we have similar cases.  
Good luck and let me know if you have any questions

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[scargills](#) Jan 03, 2012

Just a quick post in case anyone is interested if you look up Prof Douglas Swartzendruber and implants he says that eventually anyone who has a metal implant will get problems!! Happy New Year to all and is there anyone else with problems in the UK?

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[smileynow](#) Jan 04, 2012

Hi there & thanks for the info. on the sinus rinse.

We had the mold inspection done last week and found there are airborne spores of Stachybotrys and Penicillium/Aspergillus in our master bath, as well as Chaetomium. We don't know where the mold is coming from in the bath, as we have never had a plumbing leak that we know of and we see and smell no mold aside from the usual amounts that appear on the grout between cleanings. There is also a large amount of Stachybotrys and other molds under the kitchen island cabinet, but only Cladosporium was found in the air sample there. The kitchen island has a 10' x 5' piece of granite atop cabinetry that houses a sink and eating bar. What a big job it will be to replace the cabinetry and flooring that extends in front of the cabinet. We have been advised to move out of our house while we have the remediation done, and my husband wants to rent a condo for a month to see if our health improves. Meanwhile, I am in the new habit of keeping a few windows cracked in addition to running the HEPA filter in the bedroom--I was already doing that anyway as it mitigates the noise from the traffic on a road behind our house. This inspection was done by a certified industrial hygienist and mold inspector who does not do the remediation---so he obviously has no interest in finding mold where there is none. Thinking about the cost is yet another stressor, as I have been reading many homeowners' insurance companies will not cover the cost of the remediation.

On top of all this my good friend from high school came to town (early, as she was called by the fire chaplin) over the holidays to find her 72 year old mother had developed Alzheimers' disease. She found her mother had started a house fire, was walking around half naked one night when it was 19 degrees, had been escorted home 2x by police as people reported a woman driving around the block who appeared lost. My friend is an only child who never married so she called her cousin to help out--her mother let the cousin in the house though she did not recognize him and then when my friend got there she told her to get "that man" out of the house. A nightmare. To top it off this previously well groomed woman had lost three teeth, had a bladder infection, and was dehydrated. Once the infection was treated her delirium started to improve, but the hospital would not release her as it is believed she needs to be committed to a memory care center. Meanwhile, I have been reading about the connection between Lyme disease, Herpes simplex, heavy metals and Alzheimers'. But NO, nobody wants to think about that. Let's just label this woman with a chronic incurable disease, and lock her up and bleed her savings. Yes, that is health care in America for you. She is also combative and paranoid, thinking everyone wants to steal her money. Now, there may be a shred of truth to this!

For myself, I think I came home from the implant surgery with a wound to the sinus. I was taking antibiotics

and using nasal steroids, which would have set me up to start a fungal colonization in the sinus. Every day I thank God for the two wonderful doctors who are at least making it so I can function and am not in severe pain. It is primarily because of the bioenergetic testing by the M.D./homeopath and you that I started thinking about toxic mold and got our house tested. It took a year of going from doctor to doctor and dentist to dentist trying to figure what the problem is.

Meanwhile, I still have the surgery scheduled for later this month. I only hesitate because he wants to do a Caldwell-Luc procedure and from what I read it is not without risk. He must feel it is necessary--he said it will hard not to already be in the sinus when removing the implant.

I so much appreciate all of the information you have shared and your kind support. We still need to schedule a remediation, find a place to live, be supportive to my friend (I am telling her to at least try one of the alternative Drs.), .....Sometimes I am just overwhelmed and though I don't feel depressed, it is harder and harder to stay organized and my house looks it. I don't know....are we just going to be bringing the mold with us if we take our bedding & clothing? What about our scratching dogs?

There is a mold Dr. in town, but I think he is pretty mainstream. I don't know if I should bother. Will he just want to give me steroids or think there is not a problem since I don't have seizures, vomit, or have a rash covering my entire body? The dentist you mentioned in CA referred me to a mold Dr., but it would be almost a days' drive to get to her. Meanwhile school starts in a week, and that makes it hard to leave town. Ugggh.

Thanks for your encouragement and kind words.

Happy New Year!

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[terrybrown12](#) Jan 10, 2012

Hello,

If anyone wants the name of my dentists here in Orange County California please message me or send me an email at \*\*\*@\*\*\*\*

I believe both my general dentist and the endodontist that removed the implants were God sends for me and I highly recommend them both.

I am recovering nicely, though there is still soreness.

I think I will be signing off for a while, though I am sure I will check in from time to time.

I wish everyone here the best and send good thoughts and prayers for everyones healing.

~Terry

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[terrybrown12](#) Jan 10, 2012

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[terrybrown12](#) Jan 10, 2012

wish there was an edit button. correction terrybrown12 at aol.

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[Fleetz](#) Jan 11, 2012

Just an update.

Today had my appointment with a Neurologist ....nearly an hour of examining MRI's previously done, complete examination and lots of question. The end of the appointment the diagnosis to my numbness and tingling was he had no idea. Dismissive of the titanium theory because my Maxifacial surgeon was.

Still can't get a MELISA test done as both labs that claim they are doing the test here in Australia still are not up and running.

I had mercury blood test as I told my doctor that I had about 18 months ago all my amalgam taken out. I am horrified at the procedure used here compared to what I have seen in the USA and how different they are. In the USA rubber dams, extractors, the dental people involved full face mask etc. Anyway I was 1 point away from setting a siren off 59 out of the maximum 60. So I am now on a detox program with some sulphur based medication.

I have done some research and numbness and tingling appears in some of the possible symptoms with high mercury levels. So we will see if this is the cause.

In the meantime I am still keen to have a MELISA if the labs can get themselves up and going!!

Regards,

Fleetz

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[terrybrown12](#) Jan 11, 2012

Hi Fleetz,

I have spent many many hours researching the mercury connection to my health issues and the numbness and tingling.

Too much to write here...but, please research Andrew Cutler and his method of mercury detox. (do a google search)

If you want more info you can message me.

The method you are using can actually do some harm. You will see why if you dig into reading about Cutlers

method. He wrote a book, Amalgam Illness which explains it all. There is also a great Yahoo group that discusses this with some very helpful and informed people on it.

In my case I think I have the mercury issue and the getting the implants just triggered my current issues.(as in the mercury was the underlying issue and the implants were the so called straw that broke the camels back)

~Terry

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[smileynow](#) Jan 12, 2012

Thanks for this info. terrybrown.

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[smileynow](#) Jan 13, 2012

Have any of you been able to keep your dental implant after having it removed? I am being told this will not be permitted, as the implant is a biohazard--Oh yeah, tell us something we don't already know!

How do you find if the implant is not what it is purported to be?

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[hopefulinSJ](#) Jan 13, 2012

I am rushing, been crazy busy which is a really good thing. A few quick things. The surgeon at upenn gave me my implant and I still have it. I would demand to take it with you. It is your personal property. Tell them to put it in a biohazard bag but you will not leave it behind.

Yes you will take the mold with you. Make sure you launder everything in something that kills mold. Also be careful not to bring it in anything else. When I was in the hotel I kept coughing and finally figured out it was the book I was reading. I read that u can microwave books and papers but I just through everything out. The dogs need to be treated too.

When is your surgery? So excited for u. U r almost there!

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[smileynow](#) Jan 13, 2012

Thank you for the information on keeping the implant. An friend of mine told me to get a biohazard container and write up an agreement accepting the responsibility for the transport, storage, and disposal of the biohazardous material.

Re: the mold--I was reading the air samples we had taken are not such a reliable way to diagnose a mold problem. Then, I read the highest level we had in the master bath of 2,200 aspergillus spores per cubic meter is not considered hazardous. If not for reading everyone's comments I would think it is the mold vs. implant, but there are so many common symptoms contributors to this thread have had. My doctor is testing for antibody levels to the Aspergillus & Stachybotrys to see the level of trouble being stirred up by the mold, but it will not be available for at least a week. It seems the biggest problem for me is the mold that has set up housekeeping atop the implant in the sinus!

My friend also told me I should confirm the experienced surgeon I consulted with will be doing the surgery versus a resident, because it is at a teaching university. So, I am going to get an email off tonight to confirm that.

Thanks for your support. I don't know what to think about the mold at this point. To know for sure you have to move out of your house for 10 days, and I haven't had the energy to do it.

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[smileynow](#) Jan 15, 2012

You have all been so helpful in contributing to this thread. It has meant so much not to be alone in this, and the information gathered has been invaluable.

My friends' advice was right on. Today the surgeon contacted me and said we would need to reschedule if he is expected to do the procedure himself. There was much research invested in finding a qualified and willing surgeon, and we naturally assumed from our meeting with him that he would be performing the procedure. A good friend who recently underwent surgery at a university hospital was shocked to learn (after suffering complications) that the surgeon she had so diligently researched performed most of the surgery but left the close-up to the interns, who did a botch job resulting in infection. On top of that, there was not room for her to stay on the gynecological floor and she was put on the head injury floor which she thinks resulted her situation not being recognized sooner.

It must be the most experienced and qualified surgeon starts & directs many surgeries per day, and in this way more work gets done and more doctors get the training they need. This is all well and fine, but not why I am traveling to another state. Tuesday we can reschedule.

Meanwhile at least the drugs are helping we didn't get a surprise. I have to be thankful the surgeon took time out of his weekend to contact me, as well.

Heres' to healing in the new year for all of you! Thank you again for all of your stories and support.

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[Fleetz](#) Jan 24, 2012

Hi Folks,

Finally have a call from one of the two testing labs who are setting up Melisa testing to say they are ready to do a test. They are asking which metals to test and I said Titanium to which they said which which versions Titanium Dioxide etc. Each metal cost \$80 to test here so it would be nice to be specific.

If my concern is the Grade 4 Titanium implants being the possible cause of the issue I have been experiencing which metals should I be tested for? Grade 4 is meant to be the purest titanium.

The chemical composition of the Straumann Grade 4 implants are:

Chemical Composition of CP Titanium Grade 4

- Carbon 0.080 max
- Nitrogen 0.050 max
- Oxygen 0.40 max
- Iron 0.50 max
- Hydrogen 0.015 max
- Other, 0.3 max per AMS 4921 G or 0.40 max per ASTM B 348-99
- Titanium balance

I have no amalgam but high mercury levels which I am doing a Detox program on at the moment.

Any suggestions which metal I should test for with my MELISA test would be appreciated.

Regards,

Fleetz

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[alyssa911](#) Jan 24, 2012

Anyone know of a good attorney that deals with metal allergy involving malpractice?

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[smileynow](#) Jan 25, 2012

There is a lab here in the U.S. that has a dental panel lymphocyte transformation test incl. Al, Chromium, Copper, Gold, Mercury, Nickel, Silver, Tin, bone cement & particles, Cobalt-alloy particles & Titanium-alloy particles. The cost is \$550.00u.s.--you can find them online: orthopedic analysis dot com. I think I paid Melisa nearly that much just to test for just the Ti, V, & Al, so this seems to me like you would get more for your money in thinking about the other metals in your mouth. My blood was drawn at a local lab in the Western U.S. & then shipped to Switzerland, so it does not seem you have to have the work done at a local lab. I have not used orthopedic analysis, but found them when I was thinking of repeating the test. Their # is 1-312-733-7121 if you

are interested.

Good luck.

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[smileynow](#) Jan 25, 2012

From what I understand you have to have injuries of a catastrophic nature in order to be considered worthy of consideration for malpractice. That we were not fully informed of the potential for metal sensitivity---that we were not informed there is a choice in the materials implanted in our bodies (ie. grade 4 vs. grade 5 Ti)----now that is another matter that I would think merits consideration for a class action type of lawsuit.

If you find a prospective attorney have him read this thread.

Good luck.

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[eric7286](#) Feb 22, 2012

wow you nailed it... reading your post helps me feel a lot better, because you can't really understand this until you've been through it.. i know that if i haven't been suffering so much due to my implants, i would have thought people like me and you were hypochondriacs

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[christa247](#) Apr 28, 2012

I have heard titanium in the mouth can cause autoimmune disease. Why dont they ban titanium and use zirconium as they do in Europe. I heard they make more \$ on using titanium in the mouth. For some reason people who have titanium in other parts of body are not affected

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[smileynow](#) Apr 30, 2012

Hi christa247

My experience is that if you have a tendency toward autoimmune issues or allergies then implanting anything in your body is probably not a good idea. Physicians probably have an inkling of this but turn a blind eye as the "studies" usually are in support of industry.

Unknown to me at the time of my implant surgery I was possibly living in a moldy environment. Tomorrow the contractors are removing a kitchen island in order to remediate Stachybotrys contamination. Prior to the surgery I was already suffering from rhinosinusitis, which should have been a contraindication to the surgery.

There is some connection between the mold and irritation in the sinus near the implant. An environmental M.D. told me that 24% of the population is not well equipped to detoxify from the mold. I speculate the same 24% may not be able to detoxify from the titanium. So far I am still living with the implant but using antifungals and other meds. supplements to assist with detoxification.

It may be a while before I get to the computer again. I'll let you know how removing the mold helps.

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[lil1100](#) May 17, 2012

I have to implants. Each time I go to the dentist for cleaning. About a week or two later I start having dizzy spells. Has this happened to anyone else with implants. I went to my dr. who referred me to have a mri. The results were that no problem with my brain.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) May 18, 2012

About 1 1/2 years ago I had a titanium plate inserted in my neck. Since then I have had a rash that just will not go away. Also after the surgery it took me a very long time to recover, over 3 months, and I have never regained my strength or energy again. I have been to so many doctors trying to get well and get rid of this rash. My PCP told me that if I came up with something reasonable, she would pursue it. After reading a lot of posts here, I went to the Melisa website and printed off the information there and brought it into my doctor. She has agreed to order the testing for me. I also spoke with Dr. Valentine-Thon from Melisa, who is very nice and will answer questions. I will continue to update here as I find out if any of this pans out.

Of those of you that had the implants removed, how long did you have the implants and how long did it take you to feel better? Is there a correlation there?

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[Justin Wayne](#) May 23, 2012

I had my two implants surgically installed where #29 & 30 were in my jaw on December 7, 2011. I did seem just a little more tired that week. Thought it was just implications of oral surgery.

In the last several months shortly after the crowns with titanium abutments were installed (March 27th), the ringing in my ears has become much more sharper than before.

I know from previous experience that dental and ear infections can cause ringing in the ears (tinnitus). This sound however is different. It's louder when you bite down, and more when you bite down with a Q-tip above the crowns with implants. (Getting X-Rays soon but don't think it's the teeth on top). There's no pain in the bite.

At least one person on the board has brought up thyroid problems with low body temperature. Now in the past three years, I have experienced both of these. I started adding Iodine first to get my body temperature up. As my focus and memory were like that of hypo-thyroid, I started taking small amounts of T-3 and gradually increased it to 25 mcg. spread out in smaller increments through out the day. For about a year, I felt more mentally focused than I had for years. Then I began to have what appeared to be regression (prior to titanium) although thyroid blood tests (T3) have remained normal.

Now what's difficult to discern is that I have had some long term symptoms from Chronic Fatigue and Throid that match many of those of titanium dental implants yet existed prior to the implants. So it is not yet easy to rule that titanium alone caused these symptoms because these prior symptoms have been around for a while. Sensitivity to nickel can be quite similar to titanium for some people.

This however, is what has happened to me after the implants:

Increased dizziness and ear ringing

Increase of joint pain & muscle weakness.

Increasing mental and physical fatigue added to existing fatigue.

Focus has been quite bad at times

A recent soariness near my right ear lobe

Depression has increased with the Fatigue

I'm using selenium, iodine and l-glutathione to offset some of the symptoms of titanium and take most vitamins and minerals particularly anti-oxidants.

Hope to be getting the Melisa lab work done soon.

I would appreciate any feedback.

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[kkl197](#) May 27, 2012

I have a few implants, not completed yet..getting five total. Well, they put a zirconium (porcelain) tooth on and I felt very sick, dizzy, bloated. They removed it and I felt immediately better. Its obvious you have a sensitivity to zirconium...right now I am having more trouble since they put in a "titanium" screw after a bone graft..which comes out in another month..so hoping i get better then. I doubt it is pure titanium because the titanium implants did not cause harm..but it might be just that it is so close to the sinus. At any rate. you can use oral chelation to help with the metal allergy...go to a holistic doctor if you cannot get a regular one to help you, and try chelation therapy. They can do it innerveinously and it removes heavy metals from the body, and you can also take chelation supplements. I had to have it done after suffering for years from the metal/mercury fillings that nearly destroyed me. Now, I was feeling better and had these implants placed. i was fine until the bone graft so not sure if it is the screw or what is causing the problem. I also developed a swollen salivary duct and just had it removed. I am now wearing metal based teeth on top of my implants but so far have not had alot of problem and not sure what the metal is. I do know however that I had a bad reaction to zirconium in a "lava" tooth that I had removed. Also, for pain management, get some magnets...Dr Philpott (check internet or ebay) has two little ones on a velcro strip to attach to a wrap and you can place them over the face or wherever the pain is and it has helped me.

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[JustinWayne](#) May 30, 2012

Just when I thought I might be able to replace zirconium for my two titanium implants. You're the first in my searches to come up with anyone who was allergic or sensitive to zirconium. Do you know or have heard of others with the same issue?

I may have to do the Melisa Test. I heard that the Lab on the East coast (New England area) was offering the test for free. Just shipping.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) May 30, 2012

Do you have the number or info on that lab? My doctor ordered the test from the NJ lab and they said it is going to cost \$295 for 25 or 26 metals. Is there another lab that will do it for free?

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[DrAddis](#) Jun 01, 2012

When a dental implant fails, regardless of the reason, it is typically sent back to the manufacturer. The company likes to track the success and failures of their implants and the reasons for the failure. They use this information to help them improve their products and to quickly identify manufacturing issues that may occur. The company will also replace or refund the provider for the failed implant as long as they return the implant and fill out a

form detailing the circumstances involved with the implant.

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[JustinWayne](#) Jun 01, 2012

After the Implants:

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Yesterday I talked to a woman at Melisa Labs. Because Nickel Allergy is higher than any of the metals, She believes a lot of these titanium implants have nickel that is not listed along with the Aluminum and Vanadium. Trying to get the test done by my doctor.

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[smileynow](#) Jun 02, 2012

JustinWayne, It appears I was unknowingly being exposed to toxic mold prior to the implant surgery. The M.D. treating me for mold toxicity--(it was not acute, but rather long-term and chronic) likened the body to a rain barrel in that you can only process so many toxins before the barrel overflows. For myself it was the mold--I was having chronic nasal swelling, sleep apnea, various aches and pains, cystitis. All kinds of symptoms seemingly unrelated to the M.D.s I consulted with regarding symptoms. Then, I got the implant, then a flu shot.....too much. If you live on the West Coast there is an M.D. board certified in environmental medicine I would highly recommend you consult with. After what I have been through I cannot help but wonder how many people with chronic fatigue, fibromyalgia, ms and a variety of other ailments are actually being exposed to toxic mold which they can't see or smell.

The only good thing about the implant is I may have gone along suffering with my other issues had the implant not pushed me over the edge, so to speak. It is a long story. I am still living with the implant and it is not symptomatic when I stay away from the mold and use the antifungal nasal sprays. I am still in the process of dealing with the mold--we will see how far it goes. The implants have health ramifications that the dentists are not interested in. It is very hard to get a study to show anything contrary to industry and making money.

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[smileynow](#) Jun 02, 2012

Mold toxicity can cause ringing in the ears and thyroid malfunction. This is not to say the titanium and dental issues are not adding to your troubles. The most help so far for me has been with M.D.s who have integrated alternative therapies into their practices.

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[smileynow](#) Jun 02, 2012

DrAdds,

Sounds like the proverbial fox watching the hen house.....

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[terrybrown12](#) Jun 05, 2012

Hi All,

It has been a while since i have posted or been a visitor here,

I am doing well, feeling good, 6 months after my implants have been removed.

This month I am having my zirconium implants put in.

I know there is an article on line saying that anything implanted in the bone can cause auto immune issues.

Because of that article I decided not to have the implants then I shared my concerns with my dental surgeon and he put my mind at ease. I sent him the on line article and he had a very good reply for me, that put satisfied me and my husbands worries. I am happy to forward the email to any one that wants it, just send me an email. For me to leave the open gaps would cause me more dental issues and as mentioned before one is a front tooth. I am to young to go the rest of my life with a flipper! Anyway, I just wanted to share what I feel is good counter information so everyone can make up their own mind.

All the best,

Terry

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[smileynow](#) Jun 06, 2012

Hi, terrybrown12. The muscle aches, numbness and fatigue have gone away since removing your titanium implants? That is great news and good you are telling your story as it may benefit others.

I wonder if there is a synergistic effect between the mold and metals in the body?

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[DrAddz](#) Jun 09, 2012

After reading over this thread I seemed to have identified several issues/concerns that posters have with dental implants.

1. Titanium allergy/galvanic reactions in regards to dental implants
2. Infection from dental implants specifically related to the sinus
3. Dentists/MDs who are dismissive of pt's concerns
4. Dentists/MDs who are not knowledgeable/dismissive about alternative non conventional therapies.
5. Conspiracy theories with the medical/dental/corporations that are trying to cover up problems with dental implants.

As I dentist and someone who has placed close to 1000 implants I would like to present a side that has not been given. Unfortunately much of what is posted on this site is based on emotional and anecdotal evidence.

First I want to say the vast majority of doctors both medical and dental care a lot about their patients, and try to do what they feel is in their best medical interest. If we weren't that way and treated people poorly we wouldn't have any patients, its not only good ethical and moral policy to treat patients with high levels of care and respect, but it also makes financial sense. Happy satisfied patients not only keep returning for future treatment but they also refer their friends and family as well. If I was jerk to these people, didn't listen to their questions and concerns, and was dismissive of what they had to say, I would eventually be out of business. I cannot speak to the interactions that many people have shared on this thread but I will say without hearing the side of the doctor I would avoid making any judgements. In my experience 2 people rarely view the same interaction the same way, especially an interaction that was adversarial. I have had my share of unhappy patients, I'm not claiming that everyone I have ever treated was 100% satisfied for whatever reason, I will say though that the vast majority of those negative reactions did not transpire the way the patients stated, and even when confronted with evidence showing them that what they are saying or claiming is factually wrong they still refuse to admit it. Once again all I'm saying is with only one person's side of the story I would ask people to be very cautious before passing any negative judgements upon these doctors.

Doctors are trained from the first day of dental/medical school to be analytical, and the best way to do this is to use scientific analysis of scientific method as it has been historically called. This type of analysis states that best evidence that exists to prove a theory or hypothesis is that which is non-bias, and is empirical in nature. That is to say, anecdotal evidence is one of the poorest types of evidence to prove a supposition because this type of evidence typically lacks the understanding of all the variables to a given situation. eg. Implant failure. Factors such as age, current health condition, position of implant in the mouth, patient compliance are only a few of quite literally hundreds of factors that can directly affect the success or failure of an implant. So when someone posts about an implant failing or causing some other condition ie. chronic fatigue, MS, etc.....I am very skeptical to draw a direct causation between the two. There are just too many factors involved to make blanket statements or even specific statements like "this implant is causing my health problems", because of all the variables. People need to understand the difference between causation and correlation. Just because two things can shown to be happening together does not mean one is caused by the other. I will give you one of my favorite examples of this via the 'Flying Spaghetti Monster', for those of you who don't know that reference please google it, it is worth a laugh. The example for which I speak of has to do with global warming and pirates, yes pirates. Since it can be shown that over the last couple hundred years the earth has gotten statistically warmer, and also since it can be scientifically shown that the number of pirates in the world has decreased over this same time we are therefore able to conclude that as the number of pirates in the world decrease the world will correspondingly get warmer, therefore we need more pirates in the world to reduce this trend of global warming. I know how foolish this sounds but it illustrates the difference between a correlation

which is what this is, and a causative relationship, which this definitely not. Just because two things are happening does not make it causative, reduction of pirates is not 'causing' global warming.

So from that I want people to think more critically about what is going on in relation to implants and people's health. Dentist and MDs want to use the most detailed scientific empirical evidence to make decisions about a patients health care, it's what is called evidence based medicine. Unfortunately this is not something many practioners of non-traditional medicine believe in, and as such much of there reasoning and proof of treatment success is based on anecdotal evidence not empirical data. Much of the evidence put forth by individuals critical of either TI implants or a myriad of other procedures lack the rigorous scientific analysis to prove their hypothesis, and as such are discredited and marginalized. It is when these individuals are marginalized do they start throwing out claims of vast conspiracy between the medical and industrial complexes.

I don't claim to have all the answers and I feel you would be hard pressed to find a honest health care provider to claim that they do, however I do feel confident in saying that organized medicine and dentistry is constantly striving to improve the care and treatment of patients. I learned early on in my career that if I approach each patient as if they were my mother I will always feel good at the end of the day, because if I do that I know that I have done all to the best of my knowledge and ability to take care of that individual.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jun 09, 2012

And then there is also Occam's Razor, where the simplest solution is usually the correct one. You have a group of people experiencing similar symptoms and not just generalized symptoms, but some specific symptoms, and when the culprit is removed the symptoms go away and the person feels better. I would say that would be a call for investigation.

I do not have a dental implant, I have a titanium plate due to an anterior cervical discectomy and yet I am experiencing similar symptoms to those who have a titanium dental implant. And it isn't only happening to those folks on this website, but there are other sites where people complain of the same symptoms. And this has been reported in patients for a minimum for 12 years that I can locate on the web. True, not all people are honest, but there are enough of us out there that at minimum, it should raise an eyebrow and for at least a second consider the possibility.

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[DrAddz](#) Jun 10, 2012

Not only do I want there to be scrutinty of dental implants but I encourage doing as much research as possible in this field, I see it as a way to improve. Unlike what I have seen being stated in this thread, I welcome any credible research that may or may not say dental implants are bad or good or something in between. If it turns out that there truly is some type of negative reaction to Ti implants that some or all people have, I will be the first to support either banning or greatly limiting their use. As a doctor I make decisions based on what my knowledge of something is at that time and cannot make patient based treatment decisions based on 'what ifs' or 'maybes', however if our knowledge of something changes I will change my treatment protocols accordingly. Those medical practitioners who are not willing to be this way are doing a dis-service to their patients. That being said I have see no credible clinical research showing wide spread negative



effects from the use of Ti prosthetics either dentally or medically. With millions of implants and joint replacements done over the last 20 something years there is more than enough of a sample size to show direct causations between dental implants and deleterious side effects. That is to say there would be thousands of individuals who be having negative side effects. Therefore until I'm given evidence that is not just anecdotal in nature I will continue placing them.

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[smileynow](#) Jun 11, 2012

Thank you for taking the time to acknowledge this thread. It would be great if you could answer a few questions:

- 1) What group would be interested in funding a study to investigate a correlation between titanium implants and the symptoms or health issues mentioned on this thread?
- 2) Do you believe science is not being influenced by politics and profit?
- 3) If, in your daily practice of medicine or dentistry you were noticing something (let's call these anecdotal occurrences) not in line with what you are told to be true in terms of the latest scientific evidence. What would you do with that information?

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[ontologist](#) Jun 14, 2012

I think DrAdd's brings up good points about causation not equaling correlation. I have a science background and these issues frustrate me too. But I think he should also read Taleb's books on black swans (or Karl Popper's ideas on epistemology) to see that what's interesting is not the majority of patients, it's what happens to the rest of us in the exception cases. Maybe also read up on Ignaz Semmelweis. This was a Dr who as recent as 1847 (1847! - a mere blink ago) suggested physicians should wash their hands before delivering babies to limit puerperal fever deaths from cadaverous poisoning. He was derided by his peers and committed to an asylum, only later to be vindicated by Pasteur's discovery of germ theory. This is not the first time this has happened (Galileo the most famous example) nor will it be the last. There are many factors Western medicine does not yet grasp, and it's very arrogant to go onto a forum suggesting we don't have the answers when we know experientially what's real. This is mostly a discussion among lay patients who don't have the resources and connections to do a clinical trial, and even if we did, the truth would still not be Absolute Truth but a statistical implication.

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[terrybrown12](#) Jun 14, 2012

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jun 19, 2012

I just received my Melisa test results back. According to this lab I do not have an allergy to titanium, but I do have an extreme allergy to nickel. There are 2 other metals that I am also allergic to, but nickel was by far the worse. My PCP told me to request information from my neurosurgeon as to the other alloys that could also be present in my cervical plate. At least now I have some answers.

I did phone my neurosurgeon and had to leave a voice mail message, it will be interesting to see what their response is to this matter. I am determined to be well again.

Thanks for the support.

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[lindsay1980](#) Jun 21, 2012

If you actually researched Titanium/metal fillings/implants causing cancer you would find many medical journals, books and magazines talking about this subject. So I don't think you a person that is not biased. You should do your research before berating these people on science. Look at these two links:

[http://\\*\\*\\*\\*\\*/diseases/cancer/cancer\\_dental\\_risk.asp](http://*****/diseases/cancer/cancer_dental_risk.asp)

<http://www.mgoldmandds.com/cancer.htm>

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[maria261](#) Jun 22, 2012

Terry email me the doctor's names to \*\*\*@\*\*\*\*

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[smileynew](#) Jun 23, 2012

Thank you! Semmelweis was mentioned before on this thread as a perfect example of an astute physician courageous enough to question the standard of care during his time. Although he did not have scientific proof to

validate his observations, he had the courage and gumption to question the standard of care. For this he was ridiculed and ostracized by his peers. Issues of profitability and liability the ensure the Semmelweis-type scenario is alive and well today!

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[adaubrey](#) Jun 23, 2012

You will need to email me or send me a private message.

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[adaubrey](#) Jun 23, 2012

I logged on to another med help forum so I guess I am Adaubrey now not terrybrown12. Not sure how to fix that.

Maria send me an email at terrybrown12 at aol \*\*\*\*\* and I will be happy to send you my surgeons contact information/

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jun 29, 2012

I did hear back from my surgeon's office and received the same response as I did prior to having my neck surgery, that the implant is 100% titanium and if I am not allergic to titanium it cannot be the implant. I asked them how they knew it was 100% titanium and the office replied that the representative for the manufacturer told them. I asked for the representative to phone me and he did. He said that the plate was 100% titanium, but the nitinol that they use to secure the screws is 50% nickel and I am probably reacting to that material. (My Melisa test result indicated that I was severely allergic to nickel.)

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[smileynow](#) Jul 01, 2012

You can also ask for a material safety data sheet from the rep..

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[smileynow](#) Jul 01, 2012

I don't have details on this info., but was reading that titanium is used in industrial applications for the detection of mycotoxins in grains. This might explain why someone with titanium ions floating around in their body would be more sensitive to mycotoxins in the environment.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jul 01, 2012

My husband also said I should request the MSDS too. I am taking small baby steps with them because they have been more helpful than I ever imaged and I do not want to scare them off. The manufacturer wants me to do a skin test, I told them I would but that isn't comparing apples to apples; a skin test isn't the same environment as the implant.

If you wouldn't mind posting the sites with the info on titanium's industrial use for detecting mycotoxins. Thanks for the info and all the great research you are doing.

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[scargills](#) Jul 01, 2012

To anyone who is thinking of having their dental implants out a new removal tool has been mentioned on a site called osseonews.com apparently the implant can simply be unscrewed using this tool and simply leaves a screw hole. At the moment to remove an implant it has to be drilled out which causes bone loss. I am trying to find out who has this tool in the UK. Please also see my post on 3rd Jan as I found a report which says all metal implanted in the body will eventually cause a reaction. There is not a day go by when I do not regret having dental implants. Finding someone who is understanding and will take them out is a nightmare.

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[droz118](#) Jul 02, 2012

Your not a doctor your a dentist! Go to medschool and then you can talk \*\*\*\*! Until you know what we're going through, stop harassing us and our comments with your bias \*\*\*\*\*!

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[ontologist](#) Jul 10, 2012

Scargills, I have seen that tool myself, and the surgeon I found out about the tool from is in the UK! If you know of a Dr in the US who has one, please let me know.

The UK Dr.'s name is Peter Fairbairn and he's written about it here:

<http://www.osseonews.com/removal-of-dental-implant-with-electrosurgery-thoughts-on-this-technique/>

He even talks about renting the device from Swallow Dental, so you can probably call them and find out who else in the UK rents it too:

<http://www.swallowdental.co.uk/>

I think this is the Dr.'s practice in London:

<http://www.scarsdaledental.co.uk/>

Bob's your uncle

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[ontologist](#) Jul 10, 2012

Here is the product I found, scargills is it the one you found?

<http://www.neobiotech.nl/producten/fixture-remove-kit/>

The videos on youtube are kind of neat if you have a stomach for surgery

<http://www.neobiotech.nl/movies/>

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eaBDn1YCybo&feature=player\\_embedded](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eaBDn1YCybo&feature=player_embedded)

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[JustinWayne](#) Jul 13, 2012

One never ceases to be amazed. With all the symptoms of Fatigue, dizziness and brain fog, this is what my Melisa blood test told me: (15 metals)

With an average score of 0 to 3, only nickel exceeded at 3.3.

Titanium was .8, vanadium .8, aluminium .9 , Chromium 1.1, cobalt 1.4,

Gold 1.3, Silver 1.2 and yes Zirconium at .7 (just .1 below titanium).  
1.5 was the highest of the remaining metals.

So where do we go from here? It would appear that Mold is the only option  
at this point that would explain my symptoms. Guess I'll give Smiley another knock on the door.

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However, the titanium implant that my wife had removed because it was improperly installed and she experienced increased joint pain and muscle weakness.

She had got to a point where her right arm couldn't pick up a gallon of water and then not even a cup of coffee. The day after the implant removal, she could lift that gallon of water again.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jul 13, 2012

But you are allergic to nickel, and that can be found in a lot of your dental work. Also were you taking any allergy meds at the time? There are certain meds you have to be off of for a while prior to testing. I was also told to take the test when I felt the worse.

I forget, what is it that you have that you feel needs to be removed? A dental implant?

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[JustinWayne](#) Jul 14, 2012

The nickel level I have (3.3) is very close to borderline and I haven't had any allergy medications for years. If you know of a medication list, please let me know. I'm taking 4 different medications in very small doses.

I had thought about removing these these two implants (29 &30) but not after these test results. I can afford to check out mold first.

(It's my wife who had the titanium implant removed)













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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jul 14, 2012

You can call the lab where you had the Melisa test run and ask them which meds would interfere with the testing. Some people are more sensitive than others. I would find out how much nickel was in that implant.

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[smileynow](#) Jul 17, 2012

Hi there. I am sorry I did not write down the website citing the use of titanium in the detection of toxigenic fungi. If you do a search on titanium and mycotoxin detection there looks to be a connection.

Also, thank you for the info. on the link between cancer and metal implants. Earlier I was searching and there was a PDF/monographs evaluating the data between metal implants and various types of cancer. Nice.

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[smileynow](#) Jul 17, 2012

If you look @ Wikipedia & the medical uses for titanium there are references support that the stiffness of a titanium alloy is more than twice that of the adjacent bone, which may lead to deterioration of the surrounding bone. It looks like this is what has happened to the area around where my implant was installed. Nobody will ever admit it, but that is what has happened. That, & the root-canaled tooth adjacent to the implant went bad after the implant was installed. So now there is a missing tooth, and bone loss around the implant. That side of my face is slightly more sunken than the other.

Also, titanium can bio-accumulate in tissues that contain silica. Is this what causes the physical symptoms experienced by some of us? The lab test I took for heavy metal levels in the blood showed 36mcg/L for titanium, 10.6 for mercury, and 4 for arsenic. No other heavy metals were detected. The titanium levels were acceptable as far as not being what they would look for in acute types of toxicity, but what I think we are dealing with here may be a sub-acute and chronic type of toxicity. In my case there were mycotoxins in the urine as well. It all adds to the toxic load we ask our bodies to handle.

To date I still have the damned implant lodged in my jaw. However, I have experienced some measure of relief from a supplement called glutethione from a company called redisorb, infrared sauna treatments (find one where you will not be exposed to excess EMFs and toxins in the wood), antifungal nasal sprays, and a boatload of other supplements recommended by the environmental medicine specialist who is helping me.

If there is anyone who knows of a good oral surgeon or biological dentist in the Northern CA area that would be helpful. It is also a question of mine as to whether there are dental cavitations that could be contributing to the toxic load.

Thanks to you all!!!

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[smileynow](#) Jul 17, 2012

I almost forgot--the other detoxification measure is a rx drug called Cholestyramine for the exposure to toxic mold. It binds to the toxins and removes them.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jul 17, 2012

To remind you of my situation, I had a cervical fusion with an implant that was titanium, but components of it had nickel in them (I am extremely allergic to nickel) about 1 1/2 years ago. To add to your comments, 7 months ago I went to the ENT because of reoccurring sinus infections. The ENT found and removed a fungal ball in my sinuses! I think things are starting to connect here.

On another note, I have a surgery date for the removal of the implant in 2 weeks. Hopefully I will be reporting much improvement soon after.

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[smileynow](#) Jul 17, 2012

With the fungal ball in your sinus--were they able to see it on a CT scan? I feel for sure there is a fungus in my sinus, but they can't see it via the scan so they are sure there is nothing there--never mind that symptoms improve with antifungals and if I take antibiotic that there are bits of grey that come out of my nose.

I have a friend diagnosed with fibromyalgia and chronic fatigue that has a rod in her neck due to her neck being broke in a car accident years ago. I guess she feels she is lucky to be walking, but do wonder about the metal rod in her neck. With the implant in your neck being removed will they have to replace it with another material, or can they use your own tissue or bone?

I will be thinking good thoughts for you!

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[smileynow](#) Jul 18, 2012

--In a way fortunate you found your allergy via the Melisa test Others, like myself had the skin test and Melisa test with inconclusive results. The toxicity issue is just a theory with me, as that is where some relief has come from despite still having the implant.

--It is odd many months ago there was a post from someone who had a background in metallurgy. I saw a portion of it on my smart phone and then when I logged on to read it the next day it had disappeared!

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jul 18, 2012

The fungal ball was found when they ran a long tube into my sinuses. Then they removed it right there and then. The ENT gave me an extensive course of antibiotics and quite a bit of other meds to go along with it. After 3 months it was still gone. I had gone to ENTs before, but this one was excellent. She of course went to work somewhere else and I have yet to find her.

There are other testing for metal, like hair analysis. Just because you didn't test positive, do not give up. By any chance do you think you were on any medication that may have interfered with the testing? Maybe you should retest when you feel extremely ill. Dr. Valentine-Thon at the Melisa lab in NJ was extremely helpful and extremely nice and she has done quite a bit of research on the subject, why don't contact her to see what she has to say?

According to the neurologist I just went to and who is going to remove the hardware, my neuropathy and gout is a result of this implant since both didn't show up till after the surgery. And to answer you question about the stability of my neck, I had a fusion so all the hardware did was hold the material in place till it fused, so basically it no longer has a purpose.

I know first hand how difficult it is to get answers, but don't give up. I did a lot of praying for answers and I do believe my prayers were answered.

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[smileynow](#) Jul 18, 2012

--I was told not to use inhalers with steroids in them for 5 days prior to the Melisa test, and that high doses of antihistamines would interfere with test results.

There is another company called Orthopedic Analysis you can find online that also does a dental panel lymphocyte transformation test for \$550.00. The test includes sensitivity testing for Aluminum, Chromium, Copper, Gold, Mercury, Nickel, Silver, Tin, Bone cement liquid and particles, Cobalt-alloy particles and Titanium-alloy particles. They also do a metal ion test (amount of metal in blood) for serum Titanium for \$207. This would have been a better deal for me--I think I paid Melisa something close to \$400 just for testing the Titanium, Vanadium, & Aluminum. Orthopedic Analysis is based in Chicago. With Melisa I had to pay to have my blood shipped to Switzerland.

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[smileynow](#) Jul 18, 2012

I did have an ENT do an exam where he put a scope up my nostril, but he said he could not enter the sinus as the opening is not large enough without a prior surgery.

Were you able to have the fungal ball removed as part of an office procedure with a local anesthetic? That sounds fantastic if you were able to get it taken care of that way! I sure would like the name of that ENT if that is what you had done. She sounds like a dream!

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jul 18, 2012

They did the procedure in her office, no anesthetic, just whatever they used to place the tubing in. Ouch. That sounds odd about that ENT saying the opening wasn't large enough. I would get a second opinion. If you contact me offline I will give you her name, but she left her practice to go to another and I haven't been able to find her in Houston.

I wish you would contact that other doctor at the clinic I mentioned earlier. It almost sounds like that was too short a period of time for you to stop steroids.

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[JustinWayne](#) Jul 20, 2012

Thank you for the referrals. The Panoramic type X-Ray used to detect Cavitations is called a cone beam, but may have other names by now. I had it done a year ago to make sure that I didn't have any of these hollow, grossly infected holes. Appeared to have very healthy bone in the jaw. Often a dentist who is more progressive in the right way or makes appliances for Sleep Apnea will usually have the machine.

I'm curious how long you had that root canal ed tooth before you pulled it. I'm convinced that a root canal is a dead organ that's bound to create toxins as well as other problems

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[JustinWayne](#) Jul 20, 2012

OK. I'm a little behind with you. If you haven't posted it, I would like to see the actual readings of you nickel and titanium or any other metals that were high. Do you actually know the size of these nickel screws as well as how many there are?

Know I've read that supplemental selenium not only pushes out heavy metals such as mercury but also titanium and nickel. I would start at least 400mcg. There are a lot of nickel-reducing diets on the web. You might also consider upping your Vitamin C level to the appropriate amount and type for

yourself. Give yourself some time to make the right decisions and do some searches on nickel chelation in the meantime.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jul 20, 2012

My nickel reading was 15.5 (range 0 - 3) The other two metals I showed allergies to aren't involved with this implant. I think the only part of this implant that was nickel was the nitinol they used to make sure the screws didn't back out. I am going to have a revision surgery at the end of the month and I will post how it goes after I recoup.

I will have to do some research on the selenium, maybe that is for me so thanks for that info.

I will say this, I think that the Melisa testing is good, but I think that it has a lot of variables. I may try to take it again after this surgery, at a later date.

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[JustinWayne](#) Jul 21, 2012

I think that you might be right about those variables with Melisa Metals.

I was quite astounded after thinking that selenium being such a problem metal to handle would wind up way down on the bottom of the low-medium barrel at .8 & .6., the lowest of 15 metals. It could be that any lack of nickel use by dentist wouldn't hurt them. Perhaps the dentist have a say is this:  
"Don't mess with our titanium! It's sacred because we put it in."

I'll pray for your surgery. If you can give me a date, it well help.  
May the Lord have dominion over your surgical procedure.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jul 21, 2012

Thanks for your prayers. It is at the end of the month, still waiting for a time. I hope to that God gives you answers. I keep Isaiah 40:29-31 in front of me all day long.

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[smileynow](#) Jul 22, 2012

The root canal I had for nearly 25 years. It was asymptomatic until a few months after the implant. I think the implant disturbed whatever equilibrium my body had accomplished in relation to the root canal. When I had it pulled I asked the oral surgeon why there are some people 80+ years old with root canaled teeth who appear healthy, & he said that some people build healthy bone surrounding the dead tooth & appear able to "wall if off".

I had also read via Osseonews and other websites that caution is to be exercised concerning placing implants near root canaled teeth and also doing sinus lifts on people with pre-existing sinus conditions. Prior to the implant--and this is on record, I was irrigating my sinuses 2x/day and using nasal steroids. Apparently not a concern with the yahoo who installed my implant. I didn't know it, but may have been being exposed to toxic mold at the time. The last thing I needed was somebody messing with my sinus and perforating it with a drill.

There is also concern that root canals are correlated with breast cancer. Of course this will be denied to the max.

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[JustinWayne](#) Jul 25, 2012

Sorry for the delay. I was wondering if you felt any better since you had the root canal removed? I know that root canals and cavitations are just about on the same level depending on the severity of either. Cavitations can generate anaerobic bacteria which can move through the whole body and it's too tight for white blood cells to get in. With root canals, I believe the toxins in the cement is bad enough and they too have a tendency to get infected at the root easily. I had my first and last one removed 5 years ago.

Healthy root canals at age 80+ is a whole new perspective for me. Of course, I may have become biased having read the Tooth Truth by Frank

Jerome DDS who has worked with Hulda Clark. Both could be labeled

Extremist, but I still think that they have something to offer. It is Hulda who made a connection with metals and parasites. Her book is The Cure for All

Diseases and she's on the Web.

If you're still interested in someone with a Cone Beam for detecting cavitations, there's a dentist in Thousand Oaks, CA who takes this X-ray, but only does appliances for Sleep Apnea.

Justin

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[JustinWayne](#) Jul 25, 2012

## LOOKING FOR IMPRESSIVE TESTIMONIES REGARDING TITANIUM IMPLANT REMOVAL

I've been on this board for a couple of months now and with all the people posting, one and perhaps two have removed and had worthy benefits from titanium implant removal. Another is currently in the process. Teeth are really a big thing in our culture these days, especially If you haven't much to chew on should you have to remove those titanium teeth.

The best improvement for me up close has been my wife who after removing her titanium implant in her upper front three weeks ago got most of her strength back in her right arm but she also endured a fever of 101 to 103 deg. for 5 days after and a cough that is intermittent. (Perhaps mold or other infection) I'm watching her symptoms closely.

I know of another board member who has since left told me that it was really Functional Medicine for her that made the biggest difference. She had at least one titanium implant removed. Has anyone heard of this branch of medicine or anything about treating Genetic Mutations?

Although I thought I was getting regular screw on Crowns to implants, I got the type that glue on. Something the Oral Surgeon I saw couldn't take off if he wanted to. However, he didn't have any problem removing my wife's.

(No Crown or Abutment)

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[smileynow](#) Jul 25, 2012

Yes, there has been some localized benefit from removing the root canaled tooth adjacent to the implant.

After about a year of suffering with a tooth ache that responded to antimicrobials there is one dentist who I saw in 2010 told me I had Neuralgia Induced Cavitation Osteonecrosis. He told me to remove the implant as well as the root canaled tooth and some of the bone on the lower jaw as well. I had never heard of such a condition prior to his mentioning it and so hesitated to undergo such a procedure. He is regarded as extreme by other dentists in the area and I think they have pretty much forced him undercover.

After suffering for another year I contacted him again as I was ready to have someone take it all out, but he refused my case saying that he had retired or was in the process of it. He is trained as an osteopathic physician as well as a dentist. He is also tempermental and paranoid, but I cannot say as I blame him for it.

How much of my pain is due to mold irritation of the sinus and how much is due to NICO and how much is due to titanium sensitivity or toxicity I don't know. Detoxification with infrared sauna, Cholestyramine, and various supplements has been helpful, but my sinus is still irritated and I have pain in the jaw--especially when exposed to mycotoxin contaminated environments or belongings which we are in the process of eliminating.

Removing the root canaled tooth was good in that it brought partial relief. The oral surgeon who removed it was hopeful it would be the end of my problems----I wish!

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 02, 2012

Just had my implant removed a couple of days ago. So far so good, I will post my results as it goes along. Thanks for everyone's support.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 02, 2012

The implant was in your neck?

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 02, 2012

Yes.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 03, 2012

God Bless. It took courage to get that out! Hope you are feeling better every day!

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 04, 2012

Thank you Smileynow. It was a very difficult road leading up to the surgery and during and afterwards. It is sad when our society now has multiple levels of standards when it comes to deceiving people. I pray for all who suffer because of these implants and that all will find solutions and heal. I will try to continue to post as I heal.

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[JustinWayne](#) Aug 05, 2012

Thank you Suzie for being an inspiration for the rest of us. It took courage for you to have your neck area opened up to have titanium and nickel removed. Most people would probably say no to a second surgery. I know that the Lord is blessing you and opening new doors for you in your commitment to the truth.

Peace be with you and heal fast

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 05, 2012

Thank you for your kind words and encouragement. I know God has a plan.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 05, 2012

In searching for information on the metal/mold connection, I found the following excerpt from the book "The Fungal Community, Its' Role in the Ecosystem" by John Dighton. "Fungi possess a variety of properties that can influence interaction with metals, while normal growth and metabolism are also dependent on metal & metal interactions to satisfy trace metal and associated nutrient requirements." This is from chapter 37, Toxic metal & Fungal Communities. This research is referring to fungal communities in the ecosystem, but one could reason that the human body is just another terrain in which mold & metal interact, and that certainly has been the case in my situation.

It may be that many who are sensitive to metal implants are unknowingly burdened with either systemic (candida) or environmental fungal overload. There is a synergistic effect between the two.

Removing myself from a home where toxic mold was present, using detoxification measures such as infrared sauna, Glutathione, and Cholestyramine have been helpful. Antifungal nasal sprays are helpful as well. You can say I really have given this implant the benefit of the doubt as far as trying to work with it and live with it!

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[JustinWayne](#) Aug 06, 2012

REGARDING TITANIUM IMPLANTS, ABUTMENTS & CROWNS



I have the glue-on type of crowns to the implants. Suzi Q told me that some people are allergic to this glue. I have a two step program in the making. The first step is to just have the Crowns taken off to see if there is any improvement. The reason I say this is that there is titanium in the exterior abutments and crowns. As these were finally fitted some 3 1/2 months after the implants. Symptoms seemed to get a little worse after that. Perhaps the saliva interaction with titanium could be as troublesome as it is in the bone. I've heard too on the web that some of the new composites have titanium in them. Could be the glue too.

I could have had just zirconium for the crown and abutment, but that option wasn't given to me.

So after Step One, I'm going to give it two to three weeks before I get any oral surgeon to do Step two. Just in case. After all I would like to remain Smiley too!

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[smileynow](#) Aug 06, 2012

Yes, there was a poster a while back who had issue with the glue. I think it was Jerandi. The glue induced a burning-mouth syndrome. She had titanium implanted in the jaw as well. She may have posted under another name as well. She was going to UCLA to get some help if I remember correctly. It would be great if she would post and let us know how she is doing.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 12, 2012

Heise Health Clinic in Florida has a website that raises awareness of the health issues that can result from different metals in the mouth, as well as the interrelationship between fungus (candida) and metals. You have to wonder how many people have health issues that would improve with the proper removal of amalgam and other metals?

Meanwhile.....removing myself from our home for 3 months and giving up many of my material possessions has not netted the 100% improvement I or the environmental medicine specialist was hoping for. Yes, there has been improvement with detoxification measures such as Cholestyramine, antifungal nasal washes, Therasauna infrared sauna, and Readisorb Glutethione.

Pondering whether to go to a Huggins- trained biological dentist

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(cont.) or have a competent periodontist who places & removes improperly placed titanium implants (not by him) remove the implant. He is the one who acknowledged that even by conventional standards the implant was

too big for the jaw and that a sinus perforation should have been allowed to heal prior to placing the implant. You have to respect a guy who will admit these things!

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 23, 2012

I am now almost 4 weeks post-op from having a "titanium" plate removed. After the surgeon removed it he told my husband the metal had leached and stain me. I was very tired right after the surgery and I had some bad days, but then slowly they were getting better bit by bit. Within a couple of weeks the major rash is almost gone. The severe depression and that feeling of dying isn't gone, but I feel like it is lifting. I am no where close to where I want to be, but I had this thing in me almost 22 months. In the last 2 weeks I have developed a major sinus infection so I am presently on antibiotics. I always feel better on those. I will update more later.

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[ronnieg2177](#) Aug 25, 2012

Metaloclear by Metagenics will clear the metals out. It is an "evidence based" product.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 25, 2012

Thanks for the info.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 26, 2012

Leaching into the surrounding tissue? Titanium and its' alloys are (ahhem) inert, as we all can attest to here. Your poor surgeon must be seein' things after standing on his feet all the long day.

Seriously, the positive response to antibiotics is something I experienced many times in these last few years. It is a question in my mind that many of the posters here could be suffering from a chronic form of mycotoxicosis which is exacerbated by the metal implants. The M.D. treating me who is board certified in environmental medicine told me it could be the anti-inflammatory effect of the antibiotics which I was responding to. Over the last several years I had been diagnosed with chronic sinusitis, hyperacidity, interstitial cystitis, severe sleep apnea, and insomnia. One year I maxed out the chiropractic benefits from the various aches and pains. After the implant I suffered heart palpitations, muscle cramps in the feet and legs, a feeling of infection around the

implant, feeling feverish, dizziness, numbness, tingling, and a metal taste in the mouth.

Mycotoxins are poorly understood and treated by the medical profession and public as well. Along the way of trying to figure this out & insisting that using anti-fungal nasal sprays (which I did not meet the traditional diagnostic criteria for using) helped the nasal and implant symptoms I was basically left to figure things out for myself and given erroneous information by a certified industrial hygienist, namely, that if you cannot see or smell mold that there is no problem. I had to have an industrial hygienist drill into the cabinet and wall cavities in question to obtain significant samples of toxic mold.

If you look on the American Academy of Allergists in Immunologists website you will see that they deny the existence of mycotoxins existing in the form that will pass through walls and building materials. No doubt the insurance industry has their influence on what is or is not real here. It is most unfortunate that their assertion is not the truth and that the dreaded mycotoxins do pass through floors and walls. I have become sensitized to the point where all of my belongings (think furniture, shoes, clothes, dogs, rugs, cars) and family feel as if they are coated with a mix of cayenne pepper and itching powder. It is not enough to leave your home as the problems follow via belongings that produce an itching burning heat that is extremely uncomfortable and easily transferred from one item to another even through plastic bags and in the washer and dryer. Mycotoxins do not wash out. I am told 500 degrees for half an hour to neutralize the mycotoxins. It is a hellish nightmare beyond description. You can read the story online of Joseph P. Klein, M.D. and his experience with Stachybotrys to get an idea of what I am talking about.

B4SuzieQ, now you are minus the metal and hopefully on your way to recovery. One less obstacle for the immune system to accommodate. God bless and thank you for sharing your story.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 26, 2012

Thanks Smileynow. As we all know, the medical community doesn't progress as fast as we need them. Just this morning, there was a small piece on a local news show about the "new" replacement joints. They spoke about people being allergic to nickel and that the new replacement has little or no nickel in it. Which is it? Little or No nickel? I don't think I would opt for either. At least there is some progress, so there is hope for the future.

As far as the mold is concerned, I do understand. I developed a fungal ball last year in my nasal canal and they had to remove it, which wasn't pleasant. I get a whiff of a smell (mold? fungus?) from time to time and then I know here comes another sinus infection.

I would also like to know, if you don't mind sharing, if your potassium levels have gone down? Mine have and they cause serious problems. It is like my body craves and devours the extra (prescription) amounts of potassium I put in it daily.

I think the only way forward is for people to be bold enough with the docs and gather together to let others know that they aren't alone with this.

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[Justin Wayne](#) Aug 27, 2012

No more titanium uranium, Had them removed today

Missing two teeth, but what the heck, My mind came back to stay

Have moved my neck and shoulder, and the pain is nearly gone

But watch out for them Smart Meters, So you won't repeat this song!

Praise the Lord!

Bless You All!

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 28, 2012

Glad to hear the good news. Hope you continue to heal.

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[ronnieg2177](#) Aug 29, 2012

when a patient has symptoms after an implant that can't be blamed on perforated sinus/infection, infection, malocclusion(routinely overlooked), it seems that metal toxicity is the only cause left to blame. I think that 10's of thousands+ are suffering adverse health effects from metal in their bodies, but their Dr's are on a wild goose chase for other causes. Denying people's complaints and suffering as having no "scientific basis" doesn't fly with the public anymore.

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[gredy09sc](#) Aug 29, 2012

I had a tooth implant done about a year ago and have not got the crown for it yet. Since the implant, I started with my legs being itchy like mosquito bites. Then both my legs, arms, my back, buttocks, and then my head. It is extremely itchy. I have been through 4 MD's, 3 Dermatologist, and 1 Allergist. None of them can find the

problem. I've spent over a thousand dollars on copays, lab work, biopsy, prescription corticosteroid creams, antibiotics, steroid shots, prednisone pills, and scabies treatment. Even did the TRUE allergy test which include Nickel and I was negative on all. One biopsy say it was insect bites, another biopsy return as eczema. I stumble on this post after some googling. It never dawn on my that this could be because of my implant. It did happen after about 1-2 months afterwards.

Could I be allergic to Titanium? Is this signs and symptoms of allergic reaction to Titanium? My mouth and gum are fine from the Dental Implant. If i was allergic to the implant then shouldn't i have problems area around my mouth and implant? Which I don't.

My Dentist cannot place a crown on the implant as of now because the implant was placed too far back next to the adjacent tooth. There's a chance that I might need the implant pull and redone. If so, this will put the allergy to the test once I get it remove. But, still have more Dentist appointment to go before it's finalize. Do you think my symptoms are from the implant or something else? I got the implant on 8/2011 and had symptoms by 10/2011. Could it be a slow, slow reaction? Please help. Any comments will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for reading.

-Brian

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[smileynow](#) Aug 30, 2012

Brian--You might look up delayed hypersensitivity to metal implants. It is something altogether different than an allergy and one of the ways you can test for it is with a lymphocyte transformation test. A company called Melisa offers this test and another company based in Chicago is called Orthopedic Analysis which you can look up on the web. I am waiting for the results of the dental panel test from Orthopedic Analysis which cost 550.00\$ plus shipping and blood draw fees. Early on with this weird adventure I had the dental patch test series administered from an allergist which showed 0 reaction to titanium. It is uncomfortable and inconvenient in that you get to have tape adhered to your back for 48 hours which cannot get wet. All the more reason to love that hand-held european style shower head.

My situation is complicated by mycotoxicosis (exposure to toxic mold over a long period of time) and it has been my experience that being around the mycotoxins cause symptoms around the implant, sinus, and jaw.

Unlike you, my implant was placed so that it is aesthetically pleasing and functional. It sounds like yours needs to be removed anyway?

--I am still living with the implant and have found relief by removing myself from the environment that was harboring the Stachybotrys and detoxification measures such as infrared sauna, Glutethione, and Cholestyramine and various supplements. Antifungal nasal sprays also help with nasal symptoms. My experience is that there is a synergistic effect between the mycotoxins and metal.

I still have itchy legs and numb feelings in the feet and hands. It may also be a matter of toxicity rather than a hypersensitivity, being that I have found relief from detoxification measures. Why take another test--I don't know, just for proof? Five hundred fifty dollars is a drop in the bucket compared to what I have spent. I like to understand things and it looks like there are enough people such as yourself and me looking for answers. It somehow makes it more bearable if the crap I have been through and the money I've spent can benefit someone else.

Another factor some believe contribute to local and systemic symptoms is a condition called Neuralgia Induced Cavitation Osteonecrosis, which may be present at the site of the implant installation. You can read about it on maxillofacial research center on the web or simply raising awareness also on the web. Some also believe (terfinfo) that implants create autoimmune dysfunction and that nothing good can come to the body from

implanting something in the jaw.

My experience is that doctors are in a state of denial about these problems and that perhaps if these conditions are not acknowledged they will go away. Implants are a very lucrative procedure for the dentists and they are only too happy to put their heads in the sand on this one. The industry-funded studies touting the statistics they quote are misleading as far as that the "success" of an implant is based entirely on whether the implant osseointegrates with the jaw. Systemic symptoms and the impact of the implant on the sinus and surrounding anatomy are not factored into the gloriously high rate of "success" regarding dental implant surgery.

I could go on & on..., but will spare you all tonight.

I hope this helps.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 30, 2012

How nice. Little or no nickel in an item being sold as titanium??? And they are bragging about this? The grade of titanium via a manufacturers' safety data sheet, the manufacturer and country of origin is information that consumers are entitled to. The surgeon who is using the highest quality of materials will have something to brag about here if he wants to use it as advertisement. That they might be reticent to disclosed this info. for fear they have the "edge" on their competetors by having an economically advantageous source for their implants is outrageous! Docs, you are selling your skill and service. Leave product sales to the retail establishment and provide

--B4Suzie, the fungal ball in the nasal cavity is something our Dr. screened for with nasal cultures. Mine was negative, (no doubt from using the antifungals these past months). My husband had two--Aspergillus and one other rare fungus I forget the name of. I think it is common the little buggars (mold spores) look for places to set up housekeeping.

I cannot remember if my potassium levels were low. I do know that mold disrupts protein synthesis and other cellular processes. One of the supplements recommended is magnesium with potassium aspartate. We were prescribed several enzymatic supplements--coenzyme B complex caps--co-Q 10 with aspartate, too many to write here. Message me if you want the list.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 30, 2012

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--provide us with full disclosure of any and all products being put in our bodies. Thank you.

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[greddy09sc](#) Aug 30, 2012

Thanks for your comment. I will most definitely look more into delayed hypersensitivity to metal implants. So far, i've read that allergic reaction would appear around implant area which is not true in my case.

I have had the TRUE test done with the patch on my back for 48hours. Yes, it was not fun as you mention.

I have a dental appointment with an implant specialist in 2 weeks. Hopefully he will be able to remove my implant.

I have given up on all hopes. Only thing left that causing all this itch is the implant.

Even my head itch. Red bumps. Itch like ant bites! imagine that trying to sleep.

It's not any bugs or ticks. Someone in my house would get it by now after a year. Wife and kids are fine without any symptoms. I just don't know where else to go other than to remove my implant.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 31, 2012

--For a while I was taking Loratidine 10 mg. at night and Allegra in the a.m.-Basically 48 hrs. worth of antihistamine in a 24 hour period.

--Our daughter never was bothered by the mold in our house, & my husband only after I had been ill for quite some time. I think there is a synergistic effect between the metal and the mold. The reporting limit of blood level of Titanium is 11mcg/L. I had 36mcg/L. Maybe not a level they would recognize as causing any acute type of poisoning, but what about a more chronic type of toxicity? What about other environmental factors?

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 31, 2012

My implant was in my neck, but my rash was everywhere, arms, neck and legs. I went everywhere for help. The only way I got rid of the rash was to get rid of the implant.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 31, 2012

Yes, I would like the list. Thanks.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 31, 2012

One last comment Smileynow, but have you had any type of surgery or other dental fillings? I just found out that I had 2 titanium clips in my shoulder after a lymph biopsy, no one bother to tell me that.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 31, 2012

No other surgeries except the sinus lift, bone graft, & titanium dental implant. I have a boatload of other types of metal in the mouth--gold onlays(& who knows what is underneath), amalgam, the titanium, vanadium, & aluminum implant, and whatever metals are in the prosthetic tooth attached to the implant. Then, I wear a mandibular advancement device at night that has who knows what kind of metal in it. I also wear a daytime appliance to adjust the bite with metal clips on the bottom. I have mentioned oral galvanism to my general and the tmj specialist who fabricated the removable appliances. They seem never to heard of this term before.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 31, 2012

---Also, when I wear the very expensive mandibular advancement device at night I have a twitching type of feeling. I mentioned the possibility of oral galvanism to the Dr. (I think a UCLA graduate) he looked dumfounded. I guess too late since he paid the lab fee and they aren't trained to recognize this. I wear it anyway because I like breathing. It makes for a better sleep.

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[JustinWayne](#) Sep 01, 2012

I had my two implants for nearly nine months. Then I decided to give birth to a chance of living again. I had them removed 5

days ago. Some of the clarity and focus came back right away, though I expected some possible roller coaster effects while detoxing the residual titanium.

However, a very interesting variable came into play here. Sixteen days ago, Sixteen Smart Meters were

plastered on the outside of our Master Bedroom. We didn't know they were there for four days until a neighbor informed us.

This type of Radio Frequency Radiation is more dangerous than Cell Phones, as there is spikes in the frequency and it is continuous 24/7. <http://stopsmartmeters.org>

What makes it more interesting is that the symptoms for these meters is very close to titanium and mold. With the meters there can be a little more anxiety and depression at times for my wife and I. When I can get myself out of the house, I seem to be readjusting to a better social climate.

If you don't have a smart meter, great. Get this implant unscrewed before it does it to you even more. You're fortunate you didn't have a crown put on it yet. Let it heal for at least 6 months before going to zirconium ceramic implants.

As safe as it's suppose to be, you might want to test for zirconium. If you designate it, Melisa will test for allergy only. Just remember though, that Melisa does not test for toxicity.

Now, if you by chance have a Smart Meter on your house and it's been there for a while, then I would suggest to get that implant out ASAP with the right surgeon. Titanium Implants lower your resistance even further to Radio Frequency Radiation. Learn how to shield your meter.

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[smileynow](#) Sep 02, 2012

--I think there is a website called lessemfs that sells products to reduce exposure to emfs.

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[smileynow](#) Sep 04, 2012

--just received the results of the lymphocyte transformation test from Orthopedic Analysis. Like you, I am highly reactive to Nickel. How much Nickel were you told could be in your implant? From memory, the materials safety data sheet on my implant said it was 94% Titanium (grade 5?), 4% Aluminum, & 2% Vanadium. The Titanium was classified as mildly reactive on the test, so I am wondering if Nickel could be the bigger problem.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Sep 04, 2012

The manufacturer refused to give me a MSDS on the implant. After having it removed I found out why, the plate was titanium, but the screws, which I was assured several times were titanium, were a metal, I think stainless steel, which contain quite a bit of nickel. Those screws is what leached into me and I am suffering while the poison is slowly leaving.

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[smileynow](#) Sep 05, 2012

That is so WRONG in every way. I am so glad you were able to have it removed. This material was installed in your body, you had problems with it, and the manufacturer refused to give you the MSDS? The screws are what did it to ya--I wonder if they looked like the blasted dental implants making some of us suffer so much?

Have you tried the infrared sauna for detox? There is a reason saunas and sweat lodges have been around for centuries---it is beneficial sweat out much of the bad stuff that accumulates. We have been using a Therasauna--the proprietor claims her saunas are more healthful in that the wood is non-toxic, and there are little or no EMFs. It has been helping me even though I still have the screw lodged in my jaw.

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[smileynow](#) Sep 05, 2012

--and couldn't the surgeon who installed the hardware get the MSDS for you?

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Sep 05, 2012

The original surgeon still claims that everything used in my initial surgery was titanium, so no he would not be willing to do that.

As far as using a sauna, I have been sweating so much since I had it removed, I look like I have been running under sprinklers all the time. LOL. I don't think I could stand any more heat or sweating.

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[smileynow](#) Sep 05, 2012

It sounds like you have proof contrary to the surgeons' claim of only titanium being used in your surgery.

This could all be avoided were the surgeon required to disclose the materials list prior to implanting a device in your body. The "Doctor knows best" attitude does not fly here, especially where hospitals and surgeons must consider cost effectiveness in their choice of implant devices.

--Could the sweating have to do with the effect of the implant removal on the autonomic nervous system? Autonomic imbalance was mentioned by a physician who helped me with the fungal issue in the sinus.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Sep 06, 2012

I think the sweating is due to the metal leaching into me while it was still implanted. It will take a while for that to come out. I do not sweat all of the time, just at certain times. I believe that these implants, whether they are titanium or not, do interfere with our endocrine system.

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[onthebrightside166](#) Sep 19, 2012

I had 4 crowns cemented to back molars about 2 years ago. 6 months ago I had a major surgery performed and shortly there after my health took a nose dive. I had pressure in my head, ringing in ears blisters in mouth ear popping, headaches, stiff neck, dizziness, eye irritation. Funny thing is the crowns are on the left side and all my problems are on the leftside. The worst symptoms are brain fog and insomnia. My dentist recently asked if I had a metal allergy to costume jewelry, and my answer was a big yes. I had two crown already removed with temps on them and now going to get the other two off today. Thing to note is after my braces I had permanent metal retainer attached to top and bottom teeth. Those fell off during the crown removals but didn't think about the nickel content in the wires....but nickel is commonly used in its construction. Already better with the removal of the first set of crowns and it has only been a few days. I hope my progress to recovery continues...listen to your body....and take action. I will wait awhile before putting zirconia crowns, and at that rate I will only do one tooth at a time.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Sep 24, 2012

To remind everyone, I had a cervical implant removed about 1 1/2 months ago. The surgeon who removed it said the metal leached into me so I am having minor rashes come and go along with other symptoms. I just got back from vacation and what surprised me was that my symptoms became worse on vacation. Now that I am

home they have calmed down again. I think it was because I was in high altitude areas.

I am in the process of having some dental work done and spoke with the dentist about what would be used. He said plastic posts and zirconium for the crown. I asked him for the MSD sheet and they said they would fax it to me. That was about 2 weeks ago. When I called the dentist office this morning they told me that these companies didn't want to send the MSD sheet out. I thought that very surprising. Could it be that they are hiding something? Anyone have experience with this happening with dental work?

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Sep 24, 2012

I just heard back from the dentist's office, this company claims they do not have to supply a MSDS because there are no chemicals used in this product. That is very hard to imagine.

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[peachapeel22](#) Sep 25, 2012

My 40 year old daughter had Essure coils which are made with titanium and nickel. She has been getting sicker and sicker with everything you can imagine including: constant UTI's, severe arthritis, fibromyalgia, neuropathy, chronic severe pain, migraines, respiratory diseases, undiagnosed fevers...the list goes on and on. Titanium is obviously not only a dental problem. It seems any titanium implant anywhere in the body is toxic and deadly! The only way to have Essure coils removed is a hysterectomy which she is scheduled for soon ( even though the doctor thinks the Essure birth control coils are harmless ) ! I think she should have the Melisa test before the implants are removed. Her health and immune system are devastated! Someone needs to be held accountable for this! And this Essure procedure needs to be stopped! Women are being victimized once again by the medical procedure :(

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Sep 25, 2012

I agree. I had a cervical (neck) implant done about 2 years ago and suffered with what you are describing your daughter going through. I had it removed about 1 1/2 months ago and I am starting to feel better already. I had the MELISA test prior to the removal and I was allergic to 3 different things, but especially to nickel. Hopefully your daughter will get metal tested, ask for a MSD sheet on the Essure Coils and see if there is some correlation.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Sep 25, 2012

UPDATE. My dentist pushed the company until it produced the MSD sheet for the dental post. I have only been going to this dentist for about a year and he has really shown he cares about his patients. I will keep everyone updated. I am having another MELISA test to see if the nickel levels have come down. Also I am going to be tested for zirconium crowns too. The post is made up made up of fiber and epoxy and if anyone has had any experience with this, I would appreciate any info. Thanks

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[PrincessPindy](#) Sep 26, 2012

OMG, I had an appt for Monday to get my post put in. I have been so sick thinking about it. I have MCS and I asked the oral surgeon for a post to test it. I put it under my watchband and my arm became really red.... So I called and cancelled the appt. I feel so much better about my decision. I can't believe what you all have been through and I am so glad I read these comments!!! I am allergic to just about everything and I don't know why I thought I could do this, lol. Thanks everyone for sharing!!

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[smileynow](#) Sep 28, 2012

I am so glad this website helped you make an informed decision. The industry sponsored studies supporting implants are biased in that they are basing their success solely on osseointegration of the implant to the jaw bone. Systemic symptoms, sinus inflammation and other symptoms are apparently the delusional rantings of some crazies.

I don't know why I thought I could do it, either. Now I have a perfectly functional and aesthetically pleasing implant that may be exacerbating the symptoms of mycotoxicity. One thing for sure is that whatever was going on prior to the implant has been magnified 100% since the implant.

For anyone reading this, I have been able to improve (despite still having the implant) with detoxification measures such as Readisorb Glutathione, other supplements, and Therasauna infrared sauna.

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[llrascal](#) Sep 28, 2012

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[batapreta](#) Oct 05, 2012

Hello everybody, my name is Jorge I am from Portugal and I would like to share my negative experience and hopefully get some help on my issue.

In 2009 I went to the dentist in order to get an implant surgery.

A plan was schedule and the date was set, I walked in the dentist and after 3h I was out with 11 tooth implants from biohorizons.

After 2 days I started to feel some sore and unpleasant pain so I visited the dentist. They prescribed an antibiotic and sent me home again. After 3 more days I was in severe pain and my face looked like a watermelon and could barely open my eyes. Then I started to get puss surrounding the implants and rush myself to the dentist in extreme pain. The antibiotic wasn't working at all. There they told me that an urgent surgery was needed to remove the implants. The problem was they shot me with anesthesia way over the recommended limit and simply didn't work due to the severe infection so I had to go to the hospital for an urgent surgery.

After the implants were pulled out. I recovered pretty fast and everything went back to normal...or Almost to normal.

At the time I asked them for an explanation which apparently they told me they had none. So I got really afraid of trying it again. It was recommended by the dentist and I was away from the dentist for a few months.

Then after a few months I went back and had again the surgery but this time for 3 implants only. It was a precaution. Almost 3 years have passed and I already have the tooth crown and everything is 100%.

Meanwhile since I got no explanation from the dentist I have been searching for one myself.

Recently I have made a Melisa test and result came out with sensitive to Titanium oxide chromium and gold. Now before I made the Melisa test I made an MI test (applied kinesiology) and came out negative. Now I am not sure if the test of MI was wrongly done or if there is something else regarding this Melisa test. The fact is 3 years have passed by and I have the 3 implants 100% bone integrated and functional which this time were not biohorizons but MIS brand.

So I search and expert and he told me 100% absolute sure that the cause here was 100% bacteria infection during the surgery and that even if I was hypersensitive to titanium such reaction doesn't come after 2-3 days and that the same thing would have to happen with the 3 implants that I have now for nearly 3 years. Also implant failure due to titanium allergy is one thing and my infection was another thing. I forgot to mention that when the implants were removed I had a cyst below each and every one of them and in the second time MIS implanters were used and not biohorizon.

I wonder if I could get some thoughts and opinions on this.

Much appreciated and best regards.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 05, 2012

Perhaps the implants were constructed of different materials. Even if were both titanium, titanium is combined with other metals to make it strong. I could be that you were allergic to the alloy metal(s) in the first and not the second.

I am glad to hear you are doing OK with these 3 implants. There are other materials available now for implants besides titanium.

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[batapreta](#) Oct 06, 2012

Hello and thanks for replaying.what about the infection?the opinion i got from an expert is that it was bacteria infection during the surgery.does anybody agree with this or have any other explanation for this?

best regards.

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[Fleetz](#) Oct 06, 2012

Hi Folks,

Have not posted for a few months. An update on where I am at.

Health continues to deteriorate. Been to endless doctors, neurologist, blood tests, scans only after the surgeon who put my implants in was in complete denial that the 2 Ti implants could be causing my issues.

I have had neuropathy, numbness, tingling, burning sensation and more recently virus like symptoms and feeling very unwell...Had these implants in 18 months. I suspect that the TiO2 leaching is being seen as an invader in the body and the autoimmune system is attacking...swollen neck glands and nauseous resulting symptoms??

I was able to get one on the first MELISA test done here in Australia, a lab set up and was MELISA registered earlier in the year. I have a positive sensitivity to TiO2. Took the MELISA test results to all the medical professionals and was greeted with blank stares and shrugging shoulders!! All the while my health which was fine prior to the implants has just got worse.

I have written off the Maxiofacial surgeon who put them in how is in total denial the implants could cause any issues, he wouldn't remove the implants unless the neurologist pointed to the implants being the cause. He was one of those who shrugged his shoulders to the MELISA test....he had never heard of them prior to my visit!

I have finally found a dentist in Melbourne that get the implications of metals in the body and the fact these can

cause serious issues in a small percentage of those implanted!! Finally! ....I am flying to Melbourne the week after next to see her.

Based on a lot of email exchanges already I finally feel I am not alone and is very concerned about my well being.....I have already exchanged probably 9 emails prior to the first appointment. I have already had a Cone Bone CT scan which she has asked me get done here...already done and the CD images have been sent to her.

She also works with a surgeon I assume a Maxiofacial specialist that potentially will remove the Ti implants and replace them with Zirconium. Of course subject to the consultation, scans etc.

I am very encouraged.....finally talking to a professional that gets the association of heavy metals and the consequences in humans.

Will keep you posted.

Be interested in finding out what symptoms you folks have experienced with your Ti implants?

Regards,

Fleetz

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 07, 2012

I am so glad you are going to get your implants out. I had mine taken out after almost 2 years. I too suffer with neuropathy and the rest of the symptoms you mentioned plus others. Since the removal (mine was cervical plate and screws) the depression has lifted and I am starting to feel like my old self. I suffer with a lot of sweating from this and the sweating has actually gotten worse.

I wish you the best and I hope you will post after they are removed.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 12, 2012

Hi Fleetz, so sorry to hear of your feeling unwell. Your symptoms sound very similar to mine as far as the numbness, tingling, and burning. Although neurological exams were always normal, it had gotten to the point where it felt hard to lift my legs. My mind felt foggy and I was dizzy as well.

The numbness and weak feeling has dramatically improved with treatment for exposure to toxic mold--basically a detoxification protocol. Pain around the implant is also non-existent as long as I stay away from the mold as well. Dizziness and brain fog are gone as well. One of the major problems now is itching and burning from anything that was in our previous residence, including the cars. Plastic, leather, and upholstery all absorb the sub-micron sized mycotoxins. Any new clothing we buy becomes contaminated with a burning itch from clothes we have kept, from the dogs, or from sitting in the car or from the clothes dryer. It is a nightmare. My

husband and daughter thankfully have not been affected this way.

There is a synergistic effect between the mold and metal, and the environmental medicine M.D. who is helping me suggested removing the old mercury fillings from my mouth. She stopped short of ordering removal of the implant as there are implications for the sinus and she wanted to see what improvements we could net by removing the mycotoxin affected belongings from our lives--easier said than done.

I wonder if you could be helped with a protocol similar to mine while you are waiting to get the implant/s out? If you are interested send me a message and I will send you the list. Take care.

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[Fleetz](#) Oct 13, 2012

Thanks for the supporting feedback. Please check you PM.

Regards,

Fleetz

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[smileynew](#) Oct 14, 2012

There is a well known environmental medicine M.D. here in the U.S. who has cited some of his own observations on people developing severe chemical sensitivities and other health issues after having implants of various kinds installed in the body. Metal implants and dental implants are mentioned. Just do an internet search on implant syndrome and you should be able to find it easy enough.

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[Fleetz](#) Oct 20, 2012

I will be flying to Melbourne in 3 weeks time and having the implants out and a bone graft.

The Dentist in Melbourne has been fantastic, she has been totally supportive has gone over and above to get me into the November time slot. She understands my symptoms , MELISA and the association between implants (and other metals mercury etc) and health.

Finally apart from the forum members here I don't feel alone.

My health remains poor.....the medical profession have exhausted all test, scans and checks. These implants need to get out of my body.....I am confident that this will be the beginning of a return to health.

Not sure once they have been removed how long before I will see some improvement. One can only guess what is floating around in my body. Getting the implants out, removing what seems to be effecting my health out

(chelated?) is going to be the next challenge.

Regards,

Fleetz

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 20, 2012

I wish you all the best. I think you are right, when the implants are removed you will feel better. But remember, everyone recovers at their own rate. Please keep us updated, it is nice to hear success stories and I think that is very important for others who come here in the future to see that there is hope.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 22, 2012

It sounds like this Dr. has heard the story before? Do you know what kind of bone grafting material will be used?

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[terrybrown111](#) Oct 25, 2012

Hi Fleetz and all, Terry Brown here (I had to create a new account as I had trouble getting into my old one)

I wish you all the best with your implant removal.

It has been a year since mine have been out and I am feeling so much better.

I have had one zirconium implant put in and will have the other one put in soon.

It has been a LONG JOURNEY and hopefully I am nearing the end.

I check in here from time to time to see how everyone is doing.

Sending you good thoughts on your road to recovery.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 27, 2012

Hi terrybrown.

I am so glad to hear of your progress! Have you done anything else to help yourself recover other than remove your titanium implants? Are you one of the people who suffered with numbness & tingling (that was worse with antibiotics), a feeling of walking on pillows, aching in the jaw, and feeling feverish? So many people have reported different symptoms, so I don't remember exactly what yours were.

Thanks for posting. This is useful information for those of us on the road to recovery. For myself, it has been hard to discern what symptoms are from toxic mold exposure, which are from possible dental cavitations, and which are from the titanium. Any information you give is helpful.

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[sandiross](#) Oct 31, 2012

Hi, I just got back from the dentist today after I have noticed a little black hole formed above my tooth of implant. They have told me after 2 years that I have resorption of the tooth and the implant has FAILED (well that was a waste of almost \$18,000!!!

They basically don't have any further recommendations besides take it out, wait for the infection to go away (or blast with antibiotics) and then put in another implant on what I should do. Now I am looking for options as this is my front tooth and the gum is disappearing also. I get big throbbing pain and pain all in my jaw. I'm not sure if I can find a biological dentist as I am living in Thailand, but there is plenty of others.

Any recommendations what I should do???

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 31, 2012

I am so sorry to hear about your tooth. I do not have experience with teeth, mine was metal in my neck. You are probably allergic to the metal in the implant. You can get metal tested, google Melisa test. I do believe there are implants that are not metal and perhaps your dentist can find a supplier and repair this damage. The other option is a permanent bridge that will cover up the missing tooth. I hope this helps.

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[Iwillsurvive1](#) Nov 01, 2012

I have one dental implant screwed into the my mouth as I lost my whole right front tooth as a teenager. I also have a chin implant since I was young with possible screws in that...can't take that out. I such weird autoimmune symptoms yet know diseases....I do have a milder form of colitis of very lower colon due to a milk allergy. Is it worth it to get that dental implant out 20 years later and get a nonmetal one put in? Thanks for any assistance....)

Brandee

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[smileynow](#) Nov 01, 2012

It is the tooth opposing the implant, meaning the one the implant bites on that has the root resorbtion? Or is it a tooth adjacent to the implant you are saying has the root resorbtion, and now the implant has to be removed due to the infection that has spread from the resorbed tooth?

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Nov 01, 2012

Is the chin implant holding 2 bones together or making up for the bone loss? The reason I ask is if the bones have fused together, you can have it removed. I had a cervical fusion with a plate and screws and just had it removed. Have you been metal tested? I would suggest that as a first step to see if it is the metal doing this to you.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 01, 2012

You can do some reading ...there is a well known MD who has written a paper on what he calls "implant syndrome" and its' relation to environmental illness as well as the specific troubles with metal implants. Both my husband and I have had positive showings for ANA (antinuclear antibodies) present with many autoimmune diseases, but thankfully no definite disease. We found a small amount of toxic mold in our home. He has titanium staples and mesh for previous hernia surgeries and I have the titanium dental implant and bone graft, which helped to push me over the edge as far as symptoms go. Since my implant I have a better understanding of the odd symptoms he has had off & on since the extensive hernia repairs. Our daughter (who has no foreign objects implanted) thankfully was not affected by the mold.

I have achieved relief with detoxification measures (infrared sauna, Liposomal Glutethione from Readisorb, Cholestyramine, & antifungal nasal sprays for the rhinitis and sinus issues and changing residences. You may want to read about dental cavitations (some think they are present at the site of most extractions) on terinfo and oral maxillofacial research center online. You may also want to investigate environmental contributions to your symptoms. In our case you could not see or smell any mold. The environmental medicine specialists who has been a great help told me the physicians are not getting information regarding the varied and complex symptoms

of chronic toxic mold exposure. You can do an internet search on the symptoms of chronic mycotoxicity and Stachybotrys and see if any of it fits with you. The challenge will be finding a MD trained to recognize the symptoms, order the right tests, and prescribe the right treatment. They are few and far between from what I can tell.

My dental implant, which has created an anatomical abnormality in the sinus serves as a mycotoxin meter of sorts--in that being in an environment where they are present induces pain above the implant as well as jaw pain in general. You can think of the implants, dental cavitations, and environmental contaminants as all being contributors to the toxic load you are asking your body to carry.

It is anyone's guess whether replacing your metal implant will improve your symptoms. I have also learned that blood levels of heavy metals are sometimes irrelevant in terms of chronic or long term exposure in that the metals tend to not always be circulating in the blood but are deposited in the bone and other body tissues. I hope to get more info. on that and will post it here.

Hope this helps.

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[Colly1711](#) Nov 03, 2012

Did anyone suffer breathing difficulties as a side effect of Ti implant toxicity? I am due to have 4 Ti implants removed shortly. I have also had 10 porcelain coated nickel crowns removed of late, underneath my gums and teeth were very black. My symptoms include breathing difficulties similar to emphysema, fatigue, neck and back pain, inability to exercise, nausea, heavy limbs, erratic temperature and blood pressure, nervousness. Is there hope for a full recovery?

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[terrybrown111](#) Nov 04, 2012

Hi Wendy, I got a message from you in my inbox under terrybrown12, for some reason I am having trouble accessing that account and can not read your message or answer it. Please feel free to email me at terrybrown12 at aol \*\*\*\*\* \*\*\*@\*\*\*\*\*

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[terrybrown111](#) Nov 04, 2012

Wow, you are having a lot done. My heart goes out to you! I have been through a lot as well and the journey still continues.

Yes I did have breathing problems and I am very happy to say they went away after the implant was removed. All the best to you!



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[terrybrown111](#) Nov 04, 2012

Hi,

In answer to your question, there is so much to say and my journey has been so long. I could write an essay and probably will when all is said and done! Till then I will say that I do feel much better with the implant out and for those that want to replace with Zirconium I think that is a good idea. My body did have a reaction when it was put in but it has since been resolved.(it had nothing to do with the implant not being safe) Too complicated to write about it all here. For me the answer has been QRA, Dr Bob Marshall, anyone can Google and research that if they are interested. Dr Marshall has spoken about the dangers of titanium implants for years and he actually just had 2 zirconium implants put in by the same oral surgeon I have. He has researched and tested these for a while now. I have been working with a QRA practitioner for months now and this has done more to improve my health than anything. Again, too much to write here but I encourage anyone that is interested to look it up and see if you have a practitioner in your area. Also if anyone wants to email me, I am fine with that. What is the point of going through all of this and not share with others information that may be beneficial!

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[WendyB87](#) Nov 05, 2012

I'm new to this site but relate to so many stories I've just read. I had two dental implants put in last December and then had the crowns added at the end of August. Until I had the crowns put on, I was okay. The implants are titanium (I don't know the grade) and I'm assuming the crowns are porcelain, although they have metal bands by the neck on the back side. The week after I had the crowns on I became even more sensitive to car fumes than usual. In fact, they made me pretty sick for about three days after traveling just 3 hours for vacation and my mouth and stomach burned along with it. I also started getting intense daily headaches, but I've been in grad school so just wrote them off as tension headaches. Then about 2 and half weeks ago, the tip of my tongue started burning where they touched the crown. Then my whole tongue started burning and my lips and my stomach too, as if I have heartburn (which I've never had). To me, it feels obvious that it's the implants since it started with the tongue. I went to the South Amboy lab to have MELISA blood testing last week since I'm located in New York. However, I just heard today that due to a power outage from the hurricane, they lost the sample and I have to do it again (UG). I have been reading that surgeons are not willing to take the implants out once they put them in, and that it's really hard to find someone to take them out. Does anyone have good experiences of surgeons who recognize the reality of metal allergies and who extract the implants? Since I live in the New York area I would ideally like someone from this area. Also, has anyone successfully had zirconium implants put in? I spoke with Dr. Valentine-Thon who published a study on titanium allergies (available on the MELISA website) and she said that zirconium is a much better choice. Any help would be appreciated. I am pretty upset about the thought of not being able to have these implants removed.

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[KitKat22](#) Nov 06, 2012

The last time I posted was (I beleive) last December!? I had 2 implants in the lower part of my jaw for 4 years (I posted under Kitkat22). The only reason I was able to keep them in so long is because of my age. I noticed that the older you get the faster the implants affect you and the less amount of time you can tolerate the pain. I had horrible headaches (that's an understatement), facial burning and pain, hand pain, and towards the end stomach pain. Once I got the implants out I slowly started to get better. It has been a year and 3 months since I've had the implants out and I am 90% better! Some days I feel great and some days I can literally feel the toxins draining out of my head. It is the weirdest thing. I am now pregnant and due in February. My husband and I are very excited! If you had asked me this time last year where I'd be I would say either under heavy medication or dead. That's how bad my pain was. I went to numerous specialists and none of them believed it was my implants until after I got them out and they saw the change themself. Now my oral surgeon says I'm one in the .06% that is affected by metal/titanium in the body. The Melisa website says it's more in the ratio of 1 in 30 people. Which I think is more accurate. Some people just don't make the connection. I just wanted everyone to know that you will recover, you will get back to your normal life, and you will be pain free again once you get out your implants. I am now 27 and am so happy again. I'm back to working full time, working out, making plans with friends and family, and I'm pregnant. There is NO way I could have done any of this last year. I hope everyone is doing well and if you need support my # is 352-516-8194. Carol and Mary Ann helped me get through the hard times and I know how important a support system is with someone who's been through what you're going through and can relate. I wish all the best for everyone. Don't forget to vote today!

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Nov 06, 2012

Thanks, it is always good to hear someone has recovered to the extent you have. I had my implant removed from my neck a little over 3 months ago and things are getting much better for me too. Of course I am greedy and want more. Maybe one day these docs will realize that we are not all the same, and treat us as such.

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[terrybrown111](#) Nov 06, 2012

I wonder if you had a crown put on that had no metal adhesive to it if that would help. A completely metal free crown? Not that the titatium is great or good for you but maybe you are reacting to the metal combination. since you were ok until the crown went on. I honestly can not remember if my issues started with the implant or when the crown was placed.

Zirconium is a good choice, and a metal free crown. Dentist, unless they are holistic or metal free denistry use metal when they bound the crown to the implant.

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[terrybrown111](#) Nov 06, 2012

YEAY KITKAT!!!!

What great news. I am sooooo happy for you!

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[WendyB87](#) Nov 06, 2012

Thanks for your suggestion! I've thought about replacing just the crowns also, but not sure if my current dentist offers completely metal-less (zirconium) crowns. He would probably do it without charge though since he already said he would if I decided I didn't like their looks (you can see a shadow from the metal at the base). Otherwise, if I have to go to a biocompatible dentist, I think I'd get the implants out since I can't afford to have new crowns made twice if it doesn't work. I am already hypersensitive to chemicals, was once diagnosed with mild lupus (which has been under control with diet), and feel like these implants are time bombs in my body. I so want my life back. I've been in a very intense graduate program to become a speech language pathologist for the past 4 years and really need to be functioning normally as I enter my new field. And oh yeah, according to my last x-ray, the bone around my implants looked "funny." I went back to the surgeon and he said that this was due to all the past dental work (root canals) I had there in the past. However, it also still feels tender and I wonder (pray actually) if the implants are failing on their own. Since this dentist thinks it's a mistake to remove amalgam fillings (he actually said that when he saw I had all mine removed) I doubt he's going to buy into anything I say, even with the MELISA test results. I am therefore also on a mission right now to find a good biocompatible dentist who won't think I'm crazy. It's one thing to have to go through this but it just adds insult to injury when dentists (and other people who haven't been through this) dismiss your concerns as if you're nuts. It is SUCH A COMFORT to hear from people who have lived through this and are coming out the other side. Thanks also Kitkat22. I really don't know what I would do without being able to read everybody's stories.

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[Iwillsurvive1](#) Nov 06, 2012

I'm not sure it's something that was put in so long ago. My right front tooth with the dental implant in it is fine and no problems yet I have these weird symptoms. One issue is if I'm in loud noise such as a bar or restaurant ...the ones where you have to talk loud to hear each other...I get what seems like a severe migraine and dehydration the next day or 24 hrs or more. I actually thought that maybe the metal is vibrating from the loud noise. I know this sounds crazy and I can't find anyone else that has this but it's really \*\*\*\*\*...as I am someone that like to go out. Also, if I don't wash my hair every other day my scalp on the sides and behind and top of ear gets raw red. Can any of this be related to my metal implant?

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[Iwillsurvive1](#) Nov 06, 2012

What is mean is I wake up the next morning and basically feel like I can't function for 24 hrs and sometimes even longer...

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Nov 06, 2012

I don't really know the answer to this. You may want to call the Melisa testing center in NJ and speak with Dr. Valentine-Thon, she has a lot of info and is very willing to help.

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[WendyB87](#) Nov 07, 2012

I think your headaches might be definitely related. I also get daily headaches that I believe are directly related to my implants and crowns since I never had them before. I've noticed that they are often aggravated my noise, which can even just my need to concentrate on someone who is talking on and on. I feel the tension building and they come on pretty suddenly. I don't know if your scalp is getting red from not washing your hair or just from the implants. My skin itches and feels like it's crawling. I've also gotten red patches near my eye. Pretty sure all of this is an allergic reaction from the implants since it just feels so natural. The feelings are not always there though. I second B4SuzieQ's suggestion about talking to Dr. Valentine-Thon. She talked to me for a while and said that all of my symptoms sounded like an allergic reaction. I went ahead with the testing although she did not push it since she said whether it comes out positive for an allergy or not, they could still be toxic and should come out. Her phone number is on the Melisa website under the NJ lab in South Amboy. Good luck!

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[Iwillsurvive1](#) Nov 08, 2012

Thanks, is it hard to take a metall implant out that's been in my front tooth for almost 30 years. I was about 16 when I got it. Do they put you under usually to do the procedure?

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[WendyB87](#) Nov 09, 2012

I don't know have the answer to your question but after reading through many of the posts, some people mention that drs have said removing an osseointegrated implant involves removing more than just the implant since you need to remove the bone around it too. Some others who have gotten them out though, have reported no problems. Someone even said that it screwed out easily. Not sure how long that implant was in though. Maybe it depends on whether the surgeon is experienced with the procedure. Have you talked to a surgeon yet? I have not talked to my dentist or surgeon who put my implants in yet myself. Serbin posted a while back about a surgeon

in Philadelphia who was understanding and good. If I can't find someone closer to NY, I'm going to look into him. I feel bad for anyone who has to go through this. Good luck!

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[Iwillsurvive1](#) Nov 09, 2012

I live in NY too. I like this guy way out in Suffolk County and would probably trust his opinion on who to go to...but, I never spoke in dept with him about this. I spoke to him once on phone about the headaches ..(this is when I was just thinking metal maybe can vibrate from loud noise and cause my headaches) and he didn't think it was related and said if the tooth is not broke don't fix it. I later read about metal toxicity and haven't spoke to him about that. He put my crown on over the dental implant like 10 years ago and it's still fine and looks good. It scars me to hear they may have to remove bone. But, I guess I would have to speak with the doc...

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[WendyB87](#) Nov 10, 2012

Thanks for the info on your dentist. Is he an oral surgeon or a dentist and is he a biocompatible dentist? I'm just wondering, since he didn't think your headaches were from your implant, why don't you think he'd be dismissive about metal allergies causing symptoms? My symptoms are getting worse by the day and I just noticed that the gums around the teeth near the implant are getting inflamed and the gum around my molar is bleeding (that never happened before). I had to take an eight hour test today (to work in the board of ed) and even though it was easier than what I am used to taking, it took all my energy just to focus. I'm really feeling the urgency of this situation. This is a rhetorical question, but why oh why aren't more dentists open to these very real symptoms caused by metal poisoning. It's so infuriating.

Also, I wouldn't worry too much about them having to remove too much bone. They might just screw out. I guess you do really need to an opinion from a dentist. I'd appreciate any more insight about your guy. Thanks.

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[JustinWayne](#) Nov 11, 2012

Since you were the second to comment about my implants coming out or unscrewing out easily: My implants were in for just under 9 months. According to Mellisa, I had a very low score for titanium (.8) and a little higher level for nickel (3.6). Of course they don't tell you until later that they (Mellisa) are measuring allergy, not toxicity. Since I had 4 teeth pulled out of my jaw, a number of dentist have told me how healthy the bone in the jaw was (For what it's worth).

There was some difference noticed the first four days after removing the implants (8 27 12), but then the 16 Smart Meters installed on our bedroom wall on 8 16 12 really started to kick in (Radio Frequency Radiation). The effects or symptoms these can have on people are very similar to implants or metal in our mouth.

So now we have a new but very similar set of principals at work while we try to figure how to move out.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 11, 2012

Re: Your smart (for who??) meters. You may be interested in reading what William J. Rea, M.D. has to say about creating the optimum environment for health. He is the M.D. who has used the term "implant syndrome" in relation to environmental illness. He has authored a good book on the subject you may be interested in-- "Optimum Environments for Optimum Health & Creativity".

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[WendyB87](#) Nov 11, 2012

JustinWayne, are you saying that you had three implants removed, but now think your symptoms are related to something environmental that's picked up by Smart Meters? What are Smart Meters? I've never heard of them?

I really hope that you that didn't have the implants removed for no reason. Do you feel any better? Did your symptoms correlate with getting the implants in? Was there any nickle in the implants. I know that anything about 3 is considered to be positive on the Melisa test. I had mine done (for the 2nd time after blood was lost in hurricane) this past Thursday and am still waiting.

The saying "It's a jungle out there" is taking on new meaning for me. It seems like it's also a "jungle" in our mouths and everywhere. Chemicals in our food and in our air, dangerous electric currents in the air, mold spores, metal in mouths. Living in the "modern world" can be a real challenge.

Smileynow, thanks for the article. I plan to read it when I get a moment. Have spent all day going through the thread looking for info on a possible NY/NJ surgeon and so far, it seems that Serbin/HopefulinSJ's surgeon in

PA may be the best option. Any info on good dr.'s on the east coast would be appreciated.

I am wondering, how do people feel about cavitation? Should this be an important consideration when looking for a surgeon or do we need to go to two doctors? I don't want to get the implants removed only to have to go back and have another surgery to removed infected bone. And of course, the costs of all this seem prohibitive! But, better to be well and broke then what... incapacitated or dead? Not such a nice thought. Stay well all and thanks for all of the information and insight you add to this post. It has helped me immensely and brings me piece of mind and when I think no one out there can relate, I know that everyone of this post can.

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[Justin Wayne](#) Nov 11, 2012

Wendy, Smart Meters were designed probably first of all by our federal government as a replacement for our regular electric meters to spy on us and secondly causes spikes in radio frequency radiation and microwaves. Electricity is actually being altered and is often called "Dirty Electricity" This is carried through the wiring of your house. If you have a digital electric meter, it's probably a Smart Meter. For more information, see [www.stopsmartmeters.com](http://www.stopsmartmeters.com)

Ok, what I said is that I had two implants removed but a total of 4 teeth now missing in my jaw which I won't get into right now. What I'm saying is that some of the symptoms of implants are very similar to the symptoms that can be caused by smart meters as well as mold too. In other words, it's too early to tell what did any good, but I'd probably be willing to bet that the implant removal was a step in the right direction.

HopefullinSJ's Surgeon sounds like a safe place to go even though I live on the West Coast.

Smiley can tell you more about Mold.

Ok Smiley, I'm on the way to the Library.

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[Iwillsurvive1](#) Nov 11, 2012

That funny...I work for the Dept. of Education. The guy I'm speaking about is a Prosthodontist. He also was a professor (or, still is) at Stony Brook University dental school. I don't have any gum problems or bleeding ...everything is in good condition....so, maybe that is why he doesn't think it's that. I don't know....my mother is waiting for blood test results for metal as she had a hip replacement with metal on plastic piece inside of her and she's falling into the walls...has severe balance issues and was diagnosed with some type of neuropathy which could be from metal poisoning. She never had any probs like that before the hip replacement!

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[smileynow](#) Nov 11, 2012

You can read about dental cavitations by searching for a few websites: [biologicaldentalhealth](#), [oralmaxillofacialresearchcenter](#), and [terfinfo](#). The denial that cavitations exist is because they are thought to be the result of the practices of modern dentistry, primarily routine extractions without removing the periodontal membrane and root canals which are thought to cause a chronic low grade infection in the surrounding bone. Another contributing factor resulting in cavitations is reduced blood flow to the jaw. One person I spoke with told me all of the implants removed at her office have cavitations present near the apex. It is something to think about.

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[WendyB87](#) Nov 11, 2012

JustinWayne, Smart Meters sound freaking scary. Sounds like your symptoms may be due to a combination of factors though, and that you are moving in the right direction. Two out is better than none out.

Iwillsurvive, thanks for the added info about your dentist. I've spent all day researching biological dentists and implantologists in the NY area. Seems like one specialist can not solve all problems. So far, I've found the names of dentists who do cavitations but not extractions, and implantologists who use zirconium (something I am considering since its a front tooth) but not cavitation.

Smileynow, thanks also for the info on cavitation. Also troubling that so many removed implants have cavitations. I guess it's important to get a surgeon who is experience in this. I think I read about one dentist who injects ozone before removing bone surgically, but can't remember where I read this. I'm a little overwhelmed with all the different info out there. I'm also exhausted now but will check out the resources you listed later. thanks. Cavitation does make sense and I may even be a candidate. My problem teeth stemmed from getting hit in the tooth with a rock when I was kid (ironically, I've heard that the person who threw a handful of sand at me is now a dentist). The tooth died and I had a root canal, which later abscessed and spread to the tooth next to it, etc. It's been an on and off lifelong issue for me. And interestingly, I've always struggled with fatigue since my 20's and now have been told that I'm in early stage of fibromyalgia, which has gotten much worse in the last three weeks. The connections seem clear but at the same time I hesitate the make them since all of this is feeling a little unreal at the moment. Maybe it's the hour and time to go to bed! (almost 1am in NY).

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[smileynow](#) Nov 12, 2012

Injury to the jaw is another factor implicated in the development of poor blood flow and the development of cavitations. The implant I have is adjacent to a tooth injured in a waterskiing accident. At the time the dentist repaired the tooth with a large amalgam filling. About 10 years later the amalgam gave way and I had a crown placed. Soon after the crown was replaced the tooth became sensitive and required a root canal. Since then I have read the high speed drill used can have the effect of heating the tooth and causing microfissures which may

have lead to the death of the tooth. During orthodontic treatment the tooth adjacent to the root canaled tooth developed external root resorbtion and needed to be extracted, resulting in the implant and the last few years of hell.

In my little town of 400,000 peeps I haven't met a dentist who is aware of the co

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(cont.) cavitation theory. Then again, many are still in denial that amalgam fillings are 50% mercury and may not be such a good thing for your health.

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[WendyB87](#) Nov 12, 2012

This situation is terrible. I feel like I'm living in the dark ages. "Medicine" has played the role behind our illnesses. All along as we naively go about trying to take care of ourselves and paying good money for these procedures, we are becoming sicker.

In one of my two trouble teeth (the first one to get a root canal), the tooth abscessed several years after the root canal. I don't know what went wrong but the infection spread to the next tooth (hence root canal number two). To fix the first one, the dentist had to go in through my chin since he could no longer get through the root (ossified). He plugged up the root tip with a little piece of metal (not sure what kind). I felt that metal for over 10 years and was dismissed repeatedly. Finally, I went to someone who took an x-ray and told me I hadn't healed in that spot (after 10+ years!). His surgeon took it out and left the spot empty. According to one of my latest assessments, this empty spot left a space for infection. This periodontist, who I still think is very good, said that I'd had years of poor dentistry (drills too big for the tooth, etc). However, the surgeon he referred me to and who is highly revered by many (did I mention also arrogant?) put in a titanium post without blinking after I told him the story about not healing. I actually didn't even realize that he would be putting metal into me since the one who referred me to him said it wouldn't be metal (??). Just nuts. Anyway, we struggle on. Best of luck to us.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 12, 2012

Your situation looks be evidence that a root canal may create more problems than it solves for some people. It fits with me as well, and then if you throw in environmental challenges (for me toxic mold) it may well put a person over the edge healthwise. Same with the implants. Just too many toxins for the body to handle.

Thanks God for the docs who believe what they see, and not what they are told to see! The empiracle peer-review process they tout as evidence their procedures are harmless has been corrupted by greed!

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[WendyB87](#) Nov 12, 2012

I think you are right on about too many toxins in the body. I had to go back to the MELISA lab in NJ for a second blood test this week since the first one was ruined in the hurricane and was fortunate enough to sit down and talk with Dr. Valentine-Thon. I've been getting more and more sensitive to chemicals every year it seems and have felt for a while now that my body had reached maximum capacity. She said the exact same thing - for those of us who are really (hyper) sensitive, once we reach a certain point, we just can't process the toxins anymore.

Interesting that you mention toxic mold too. Are you still living with it? I'm pretty sure there must be mold in my apartment too, although it doesn't actually show (except in the bathroom where it just started growing on the ceiling above the shower. I'm afraid to get it off since I don't want it to fall on me). We moved in a year ago, and the place has had it's past water leaks. I'm going to start eating a raw foods diet asap. I ordered a book from Amazon which was supposed to come today but didn't. I am going to do whatever I can to feel at least somewhat better until I can get this poison out!

And yes, thank God for the docs who are willing to acknowledge what they see in front of their noses. I just don't get the ones who won't. Reminds me of an eye doctor I used up until last year. She put dilating eye drops in my eyes. I must have been allergic to them (of course!) since they completely blurred my vision and I couldn't see. She told me that the eye drops didn't affect vision and that I should be able to see perfectly (in other words, I was either lying or crazy). Needless to say, I don't use her anymore. The arrogance is really starting to get to me. And yeah, the peer-review process doesn't work very well when those reviewing the literature have a conflict of interest!

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[smileynow](#) Nov 13, 2012

We moved out of our house to escape the mold and then I became sensitive to mycotoxins, which unfortunately have followed us via some of our belongings. The other issue is some nasty carpet in the bath near the shower and sinks in this rental. I am sure there are mycotoxins on the carpet which may have been pre-existing or spread via a carpet cleaner that surely had picked up mycotoxins somewhere in its' travels. If you read the story of Joseph P. Klein, M.D. and his trouble with Stachybotrys I can tell you he is not dreaming. I wish he were as it is a nightmare.

The plus side of things is that the implant and areas of possible cavitations are almost asymptomatic unless I get around mold. About 6 months after the implant was placed I developed pain & feelings of infection near the implant and subsequently had the root canaled tooth next to it removed. After it was gone there was a measured improvement, but the sinus inflammation above the implant continued.

The hypersensitivity to mycotoxins is horrible and a very long story. The mold m.d. wanted me to escape the moldy environment before removing the implant, as she thought the inflammatory response triggered by the

mold was causing the jaw and sinus pain. She is right so far, but I question the whether the metal and foreign body lodged in my jaw is contributing the hypersensitivity to mycotoxins.

Apartments are notorious for mold issues as you can't escape what is going on in the common wall between you and your neighbor. Some people are bothered by mold and others aren't.

Good luck in getting some relief. Have you tried the infrared sauna? We have been using a Thera Sauna. It is a great way to detoxify.

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[WendyB87](#) Nov 13, 2012

Rentals are tricky since you don't have the control you need to make your living environment safe. Is there anyway you can take up/replace that moldy carpet in the bathroom? That sounds like a real breeding ground.

In the last apartment we lived in, there was mold in the bedroom. The walls were always cold and sweating and right on the wall at the head of the bed, mold would grow through the wall. Same as in the closet where all my clothes were. We would wash it down with bleach and paint it with special paint. Then we had to move suddenly because our landlord's daughter graduated med school and wanted our apartment. The place we're in now was painted a year ago but evidence of water damage is clear in places. Also, there is one tiny vent in the bathroom that I slammed shut since it only leads to the interior of the building and when it's open, I smell mold. Yuk! Therefore, it's always damp in there and mold is starting to grow over the shower area. I guess I should be considering the effects of mold now too although the correlation between getting my crowns on and my symptoms seems pretty clear.

Your escape from mycotoxins sounds terrible. I hope you can find a way to eliminate them for good. It's good that you've found at least some relief. The metal in your mouth may be contributing to your trouble though. All of these variables are frustrating. Detoxifying in general sounds like the right plan though. The sauna idea is great. I have limited space in my apartment but I'm going to look into it. Good luck and thanks for posting.

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[WendyB87](#) Nov 13, 2012

I just wanted to share that I made an appt for a consultation next week with an oral surgeon in Manhattan.

He has gotten very good ratings (if they are true) but the reason I felt safe to make the appt was that he offers zirconium implants as an alternative for people with "metal allergies" (he will not blow me off I hope) and he also does cavitation surgery.

I'm in such a fog that I've been home all day with a ton to do unable to function. Just taking this small step gives me some hope. :)

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[Iwillsurvive1](#) Nov 13, 2012

Good luck Wendy. I hope he can help you. Keep us posted!

Lauren...:)

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[smileynow](#) Nov 13, 2012

Wow. An oral surgeon who does cavitation surgery and places non-metal implants? He sounds progressive.

Tricothecene Mycotoxicosis something you might want to look up. That the recent med school graduate desired your moldy apartment should give you an inkling of the lack of awareness in the medical profession of the insidious nature of chronic exposure to toxic mold.

--We don't have a sauna yet, but go to a spa where you can use the saunas they have. Thera Sauna is supposed to be one of the best because of the low EMFs and non-toxic aspen wood. You could also order some Readisorb Glutathione to help detoxify.

Good luck.

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[WendyB87](#) Nov 15, 2012

Thanks for the info and support. I have my fingers crossed about this oral surgeon and will let you know what happens! Also, thanks for all the info and especially the tip about the Readisorb Glutathione. I ordered some milk thistle but will add this too! I'm taking NyQuil and DayQuil to alleviate the allergic reactions. It feels crazy but it actually helps a lot. There must a better way though....

Also Lauren, I'm sorry to hear that your mother is having trouble too. I imagine that the metal she has in her hip is even greater than dental implants and therefore probably causes even more severe symptoms. Did she have MELISA test or was she tested specifically for a prosthetic? I am still finding it so hard to believe that doctors

are inserting metals into people without considering metal allergies!!! I hope she finds out something definitive from her blood test and is able to find a solution fast.

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[JustinWayne](#) Nov 18, 2012

"Once I got the implants out I slowly started to get better. It has been a year and 3 months since I've had the implants out and I am 90% better! Some days I feel great and some days I can literally feel the toxins draining out of my head".

It's just been 12 days since you posted this and a lot has been said since.  
I for one would sure like to know at what rate you improved from month to month. The average would tell us 6% per month or did you have healing spurts?  
Which symptoms disappeared first and was there anything dramatic that you could share?

At Least Twice as Old

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[smileynow](#) Nov 21, 2012

What great news! Thank you so much for posting your recovery story.

--Just to recap, did you have other body symptoms, or just the localized reaction to the implants? It sounds like you went to MaryAnns' surgeon and simply had the implants removed vs. cavitation surgery. I am so glad you figured out what was contributing to your trouble and took care of it. The baby wouldn't have liked the titanium, either!

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[Colly1711](#) Dec 02, 2012

Nine days to surgical removal of 4 titanium implants. It has been a long and most uncomfortable wait; I don't wish these autoimmune symptoms on anyone! How long before significant improvement is felt. At the moment I have no energy, I am basically confined to bed.

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[WendyB87](#) Dec 03, 2012

The best of luck to you! I'll be thinking of us and please keep us posted once they are out!

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[michelholly](#) Dec 03, 2012

Hi KitKat

Just read your post. I just broke my tooth and they say it's not repairable.

So I was looking at an implant.

But now after looking at everyone's post's, I'm having second thoughts.

I'm highly allergic to everything.

Do you know if people can just leave the hole there without any issues?

I may just have it extracted?

Would love to hear your thoughts?

Thanks

Holly

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Dec 03, 2012

Sorry to hear about your tooth. I would get a second opinion and a metal test. What about a crown or a bridge? If it is a back tooth they can even smooth your tooth down and leave it like that. There are good dentists out there that are going to zirconium and most people can deal with that. I wish you the best. Please let us know what happens.

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[lizhut](#) Sep 22, 2016

get the implant out and get the bone around it thoroughly debrided. What you describe is consistent with a jawbone infection. I have suffered the same thing and know what a living Hell it is. Mine was covered up for years by the dentist who caused it and spread right along my upper and lower jaw. It was made even worse my implant surgery as the surgeon went ahead and placed implants into the infected bone. I nearly died and am still very ill. Where are you based? I am in the UK but there are some god dentists in the US who are much more well versed in this sort of thing. Most dental scans don't pick up bone infection and it is not widely recognised by many as a problem anyway. But it most definitely is and has many people's lives a complete misery. Do it sooner rather than later is my opinion. Good luck with it all.

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[terrybrown111](#) Dec 03, 2012

Hi Colly,

I started feeling better right away. The healing for me was both quick and slow if that makes sense. It is different



for everyone and there are some variables, but I am sure you will feel a marked difference with in a week or so.

Terry

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[WendyB87](#) Dec 04, 2012

I'm allergic to everything and am now suffering the most disturbing symptoms from two titanium implants and going through the process of trying to have them removed. I would save yourself the misery. I also had a metal test and paid about \$400 (including a dr.'s visit who would write a prescription). I didn't come up allergic to titanium but something called indium. I'm not sure that test would have stopped me from getting the implant. My hypersensitive system is resulting in the titanium being toxic to me even though not necessarily allergic. Therefore, I would think twice and then again.

I agree with B4SuzieQ. Maybe a zirconium implant would work if you need it for a front tooth. I would suggest a dentist who does biocompatible dentistry overall. I've never been to one yet myself but have located one in my area (NY) so you should be able to find one. Good luck!

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[smithjka](#) Dec 10, 2012

I can't believe everything I'm reading on this thread. I have felt like I'm losing my mind ever since I received my dental implant in May 2012. After 7 visits to dentists, endodontists, periodontists, oral surgeons etc. I'm meeting for the last time with my periodontist in 2 days to discuss the removal of my Ti implant. While there was some discussion of a possible metal allergy, at this point I have no other option but to remove it. My symptoms for the past several months has been shooting pain from implant site, headache (constant), chronic fatigue, difficulty concentrating at work, itchy skin. My implant is fully fused to bone. Question: for those of you that have an a fused implant, was it a difficult surgery?

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[terrybrown111](#) Dec 10, 2012

not at all. :)

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[smileynow](#) Dec 11, 2012

Has anyone had their implant/s removed via laser surgery? I think there is supposed to be less destruction to the surrounding bone than with the trephine burr method of removal where the Dr. has to core around the implant.

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[WendyB87](#) Dec 11, 2012

I'm also going through the same thing. I think I was actually allergic to the crown I had which had palladium bands on them, and once I had them removed am still reacting to the implants. I have also had intense daily headaches, itchy skin, my mouth and lips burned, my tongue blistered, I feel nausea, etc. I've had these symptoms for about 2 months now and first had the crowns out, then a day ago had the abutments out. It's been a maddening experience. I'm sorry that you're having all these problems. I wish them on no one. Good luck and keep us posted as to what you decide to do.

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[Colly1711](#) Dec 11, 2012

Yay, after years of undiagnosed symptoms, ranging from facial eczema, which included my eyelids and inner ears, extreme fatigue (bedridden in the last few weeks), neck, head & shoulder pain, sciatic pain, numb / tingling / burning palms and soles, depression, inability to exercise, abdominal bloating, colon impaction etc... I am finally metal free as of today!! I had 10 nickel / chromium crowns removed; two of them were fused to root canalled non-vital teeth which teeth were extracted. Today I had 4 titanium implants removed. The 2 which were abutted (placed 3 years ago) were trephined out. The other 2 were placed 15 months ago (replacements for failed implants) and had NOT osseointegrated!

I the time I have been ill, getting worse by the month, I have been misdiagnosed and tested negatively for lymphoma, lupus (twice), MS, chronic fatigue, masked depression, various food allergies and IBS.

I had to do my own research, the doctors in our small town still do not acknowledge metal allergies (dentists here still use amalgam). I found a Maxillo Facial prof 4 hours drive away who was willing to remove them, but had to wait many weeks for a consultation and even longer for gap in his schedule for surgery.

I have 50 stitches, am still bleeding, but am delighted to be free of my metal 'imposters'.

Hang in there, all of you fellow sufferers; there were days when I didn't think my body would last 'til morning. But I'm still standin', and will post on recover for those interested.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Dec 11, 2012

I wish you all the best. You are a very courageous person. Hopefully others can learn from all that you went through. I hope you will continue to post and let us know how you are doing.

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[Colly1711](#) Dec 11, 2012

Further to above symptoms, I also had breathing difficulties (what I imagine emphysema could feel like). The only 'oddy' which did come up in 2 recent tests was increased urinary porphyrins - which, according to anecdotal evidence found online - is a biomarker of metal toxicity. My resident physician has no answer for this anomaly, yet says that if I recover after implant removal, he will eat 'humble pie'. Anyone out there have the recipe?

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[terrybrown111](#) Dec 12, 2012

wow that is alot! I sent you a message.

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[Colly1711](#) Dec 12, 2012

I still need to have 8 temporary plastic crowns replaced with ceramics, the posterior teeth shall have to be a "valplast" partial denture. I want no metal in my mouth whatsoever. As much as the medical fraternity promote metal free alternatives; my feelings in that regard have been influenced by the many articles I've read. Albeit that much of what we read is anecdotal, anything put on a tooth would seem to be okay, anything placed in the body could have autoimmune reactions. ( There has been a marked increase in autoimmune disease and cancers worldwide, to my way of thinking, not too many have or want to 'join the dots').

Day 1: Purchased 2 bottles of 'liquid zeolite' and am detoxing with that. Next purchase - bentonite clay. I feel weak but mentally vital.

I am keeping all of my medical documentation and have been taking photos of my face. At full recovery, I want to take this up with our District Health Board, if anything comes of it and I can save even one person from this trauma, both physical and financial, it will be a bonus.

Furthermore, if my experience as related on this forum are beneficial to any one person, this journey will have had meaning.

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[WendyB87](#) Dec 15, 2012

Colly1711, thank you for sharing your story. It's inspiration and is indeed helping me, as with so many of the posts, to get through this "nightmare."

Kudos for getting all of the metal out of your mouth. That must not have been easy. Hearing that you've done it though will help me to push forward. I also having symptoms, which have ranged from migraines, burning

mouth, blistered tongue, lesions in mouth, neck pain, nausea, intestinal burning, itching, visual disturbance, feeling disconnected from my body, etc.

My titanium implants were put in a year ago and the symptoms didn't kick in until I had the abutments and crowns (with metal bands on the lingual side) put in, although full symptoms didn't come on until several months later. MELISA testing revealed I am "allergic" to indium, which may have been an alloy used in the "silver palladium" crown. 60% of my symptoms were relieved when that came out, but others, such as itching skin, lesions in mouth, and strong headaches have persisted.

I'm hoping that my luck is turning though. After meeting with my conventional dentist who asked if it's okay to put vaseline on my lips in case I'm sensitive to it, I'm meeting with a new oral surgeon/dentist tomorrow, who knows the founder of the MELISA test and is on the same page, to get a metal free temporary I can use after the implants are removed. I spoke with him on the phone and he totally acknowledged what I'm going through (If anyone in the NY area wants his info let me know). :)

Also, I had a ton of blood work done since my conventional dentist is on the hunt for a different cause and my ANA came back through the roof at 640. While the conventional doctors might not agree yet, I know that this is from the metals. In fact, my sensitivities to all metals are increasing so that I can't tolerate the temporary metal-backed maryland bridge the oral surgeon used when I was "healing." Even the glue he used to keep it on it burning the crap out of my tongue and making me sick (lol, it fell off which is helping me to move forward but I'm having a hard time getting the glue off myself). Although I'm not sure how I'm going to fund this, I want the titanium out asap so that I can begin to heal.

Throughout this journey so far its been difficult to deal with doctors who stamp your forehead with some kind of psych patient label as you're talking to them. I've seen it happen several times now and have heard stories from others too. These doctors need to expand their thinking. With environmental factors the way they are combined with ignorance, I can only imagine that dental metals are going to affect more and more people and in addition to the ill health the expense is prohibitive. Anyway, thank you everyone for sharing. Your stories give me the strength that I need to keep pushing forward to get to the end of this very strange trip.

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[Colly1711](#) Dec 17, 2012

I concur with the 'psych' labelling; my GP also looked at the array of symptoms and prescribed 'happy pills'. Having said that though, the psych I was referred to acknowledged that it is known in the med profession that Nickel causes depression and I had 4 nickelbacked (sic) crowns for many years. When these were removed, the teeth underneath were black, this was ground off. The new crowns (10 upper) I believed were porcelain. It was only after a desperate search for an answer that a pan x-ray revealed that these were porcelain baked onto nickel / chromium. You may want to read up on 'oral galvanism' - the 'battery-in-the-mouth' effect of dissimilar metals in the prescence of saliva.

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[smileynow](#) Dec 18, 2012

To date the positive side effects of my one titanium implant are as follows:

#1. The addition of a metal implant increased the total toxic load to the point where my body no longer could keep up, and as a result discovered environmental factors (toxic mold) that had been contributing to chronic rhinitis, sinusitis, muscle and joint aches. Long term use of nasal and bronchial steroids have been replaced with an antifungal nasal spray and changing residences.

#2. Root canaled teeth are at risk for failure if an implant is installed adjacently. Mine did and I am glad it is gone after reading about the toxicity of root canals and the correlation with breast cancer.

#3. The limitations of conventional medicine and dentistry have been revealed. Critical thinking skills must be employed to save yourself from the negative consequences of any treatment or recommendation.

#4. Alternative forms of treatment have been maligned by the mainstream media, but again you need to think for yourself and do your own research.

So far I have had excellent results with detoxification measures such as infrared sauna and glutathione.

--I still have a beautiful and functional implant which is serving the mechanical purpose it was designed for. After reading about metal implants and the correlation with "implant syndrome" as well as bone cancer it will bring peace of mind to have it removed. Thank you to all who have contributed to this thread. It has been good to not know I am alone in this.

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[WendyB87](#) Dec 19, 2012

I need to replace the porcelain baked to metal crowns in my mouth too, only at least I know that's what they are. The dental profession is really out of control and although they are always cutting into people's bodies and placing things in the mouth, it seems like they are held less accountable than anyone else.

I have heard of the galvanizing effect and I'm sure that that is how my situation started. Anyway, I had my implants removed yesterday. The last of my symptoms are already gone - no more migraines, no itching skin, no metal taste in my mouth, etc. I am a bit swollen and very sore though. The surgery was rough but at last it is over!!!

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[WendyB87](#) Dec 19, 2012

I wholeheartedly agree with your post. I had my implants out yesterday. Without clear information from the medical profession, the decision was more difficult because I second-guessed myself along the way. Now that

they are out though, I know I did the right thing.

I hope that you can find the strength and guidance regarding your remaining implant. In addition to critical thinking, also listen to your body. Mine was screaming at me. In fact, I'm not sure I had much of a choice. I am sore, swollen, and broke, but feel some peace of mind which is priceless.

Good luck and thanks also to all who have given me the courage to move forward.

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[WendyGib](#) Dec 19, 2012

Wow, I've been reading and reading all of your posts for the past few days and am overwhelming amazed at how brave and courageous you all are! I started doing research on implants the past few weeks as I have to have my back molar extracted (after a root canal and crown just 18 mo ago) so was trying to read all I could about implants. I noticed this thread about metal allergies and was immediately drawn in because my 78 year old mother has had 9 dental implants put in over the past year and has been really sick ever since! This is not an ordinary 78 year old woman - my mom has always been extremely healthy and active - the World Duathlon Champion for her age group in her early 70's and one who typically rides her bike an average of 600/700 miles each month! (The young men in her bike club have a hard time keeping up with her!)

Now she is aching, her face and body has continual lesions/boils that will not go away and she is depressed (although she doesn't want to admit that part) - she may not even be able to come for Christmas as she can hardly get out of bed.

I sent my mom a link to the Melisa Test website and a few other forums and she is certain that this must be what's happening to her.

Her oral surgeon has dismissed this connection (so irritating) - she has also been to 2 different dermatologists with no relief.

Her greatest concern is the difficulty in removing 9 implants and the significant cost - she's already spent over \$30,000 on these implants.

I've watched this healthy, vibrant, woman become old in just a very short time.

Any advice would be greatly appreciated.

So sorry this is such a long post!

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[smileynow](#) Dec 20, 2012

Wow. If you wouldn't mind a recap, where were your implants and did you have an oral surgeon remove them?

It is amazing if you are feeling better already!

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[smileynow](#) Dec 20, 2012

Another condition that may apply is Neuralgia induced cavitation osteonecrosis (NICO). It is thought to be created in part by root canals and extractions where the periodontal membrane is not removed. A contributing factor may be poor blood flow to the jaw. One biological dental office I spoke with said that virtually every implant they had removed had a cavitation at the apex. The infrared sauna opens blood vessels and so may stimulate blood flow to the jaw. Although maybe not a cure, for me it has reduced symptoms even with the implant in place.

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[Colly1711](#) Dec 20, 2012

When comparing being 'broke' to being 'broken', it's a no-brainer!

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[Colly1711](#) Dec 20, 2012

Advice: Find an Oral surgeon to remove them! Her story is a mirror image of mine. I am in my 50's, was athletic and went from hero to zero, literally bedridden. Also had depression.

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[WendyB87](#) Dec 20, 2012

This is a recap of what happened that I hope can help others in making some hard decisions:

Last December 5th (at age 51) I had two titanium implants placed in my lower jaw on the central and lateral incisors. The only symptom I had at the time was some pain in my jaw around the implants that came and went but never fully went away.

I had two titanium abutments placed around August 20th and two crowns with silver palladium backs placed the first week of September. After the abutments went in I just felt "off" and got very sick from car fumes. The full symptoms didn't kick in until late October.

In late October, first my mouth and lips BURNED, my tongue stung where it touched the crowns, my mouth tasted badly like metal, I got blisters on my tongue, lesions on the roof of my mouth, my skin crawled, my upper stomach burned like acid indigestion, I felt nausea, felt disconnected from reality, could not function well, had a stiff and painful neck, experienced visual disturbance (did not see that the ends of words were missing when I typed) and had daily migraines.

I had MELISA testing done and the only thing that was out of the norms (above 3.0) was indium. The dentist took the crowns off at my request (temps went back over titanium abutments). I felt some immediate relief. Visual disturbance cleared up and so did thinking. But my mouth still tasted like metal and I got a painful lesion



on the roof of my mouth behind my two front teeth. I also still had migraines, itchy crawling skin, and and nausea.

I then had bloodwork done which indicated a VERY high ANA level at 640. The doctor wanted me to get more testing done to see what autoimmune disease might fit my symptoms (of course it couldn't be the implants).

I had the abutments removed and replaced with the maryland bridge with metal wings. This was the same bridge used on me when I was recovering from the implants but now it stung my tongue and my mouth still tasted awful like metal.

I had the luck to find an oral surgeon who practices in Europe and the US. He also specializes in zirconium implants and removing titanium. He is an acquaintance of the person who developed the MELISA test and totally understood my situation. I had the implants out two days ago on Wednesday.

For now at least, ALL of my symptoms are gone. Sorry the story is so long, but in a relatively short time, it has been a long and scary journey. I've been heavily questioned by conventional doctors and at times felt like I actually was going insane. Now that I feel normal, I don't regret my decision at all. I am only grateful that I found the strength to do, which in fact, I found on this post and by talking to others who have been through it.

WendyGib, I feel bad for your mom. I only put \$8,000 into my mouth before I had them out and I only had two implants and not 11. It is a tough and scary decision. She will most likely not want to invest an additional \$30,000 in zirconium implants. But what is life if she feels horrible? Ask her to find another oral surgeon who is more knowledgeable. Keep us posted as to what she decides to do.

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[smileynow](#) Dec 20, 2012

Many of your symptoms overlap symptoms of mold toxicity, so it must be that whether mold or metal the body exhibits some of the same symptoms. Is the oral surgeon you

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[smileynow](#) Dec 20, 2012

Is your oral surgeon practicing anywhere on the West Coast?

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[WendyB87](#) Dec 21, 2012

It's interesting that the symptoms overlap. I don't know what that means other than the body is reacting to toxins in general. I was a little concerned about mold since we live in an apartment in an old house but the symptoms are gone now so I'm attributing them to the implants AND the crowns. The silver palladium created more severe symptoms in me than the titanium.

Unfortunately I believe Dr. Shamantov only practices on the east coast (he's in NJ & Manhattan) and in Bulgaria. You might ask TerryBrown111 about her doctor though, since she lives on the West Coast and found a good oral surgeon to remove her implants.

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[smileynow](#) Dec 25, 2012

.....and since not having enough time to use the infrared sauna this last week pain around the implant is back. The dilation of the blood vessels caused by the sauna no doubt increases circulation to the ischemic part of the jaw near the implant, bringing relief. This supports the theory that cavitations do exist.

So far I have only been able to find general dentists who are practiced in cavitation surgery. It would be preferable to have an oral surgeon as my implant has clearly created an anatomic abnormality in the sinus. This needs to be cleaned up and sealed right.

The dental community is loathe to admit cavitations exist as they are in part caused by the standard of care, namely root canals and routine extractions. An oral surgeon willing to treat this condition may fear losing referrals from other dentists in his community, and herein lies the problem. Peer pressure and fear of losing income is dictating what is or is not real.

There is research that supports this hypothesis and people like me living with the exact condition the establishment says does not exist. Denial is not going to make this condition go away!

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[WendyB87](#) Dec 25, 2012

I consulted with an oral surgeon on the east coast (Manhattan) who also does cavitation surgery (as per his website). If you're on the east coast you might want to consult with him. He's gotten excellent online reviews and while he was in an expensive location (Park Ave) his prices were not that bad. His website is: <http://www.manhattan-oral surgery.com/>

Keep us posted.

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[kpkendall](#) Oct 23, 2017

Hi Wendy, did you end up getting surgery from him? I am thinking of consulting with him.

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[smileynow](#) Dec 28, 2012

For anyone interested there is a research paper titled "Chronic Jaw Osteitis (NICO) and heavy metals: A threat for systemic regulation" on the a website called biological dental health. I

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[Bent\\_not\\_broken](#) Jan 01, 2013

Yes, yes. I have had ongoing health issues since my titanium dental implant. I'm a highly allergic person and have known for some time that I'm allergic to nickel. Is it the muscles that got out of whack during the procedures or the implant itself, I don't know. I've been searching and searching for answers to no avail. If you guys know any more, please please let me know. Thank God I may have found the answers.

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[mooseymoo](#) Jan 08, 2013

Thank GOD, I have found this site as well.

I had a titanium upper tooth implant in August 2010. Within 3 months I could tell my body was fighting an infection (I had severe pain in my lymph nodes and the pain penetrated down my arms for months accompanied with several hot flushes throughout the day).

My doctor did all the blood tests and nothing came back abnormal. Two months later I suffered pain in my left knee which over a course of months progressed to severe pain and inflammation, on top of that I developed plantar fasciitis (in my right foot), problems with my eyesight, a painful jaw, which find it difficult to open in the morning, (my husband said that might be a blessing as I chat too much LOL) and now my right shoulder is painful.

After a year of countless blood tests, xrays and MRI's (on the knee) which all came back normal (apart from my platelets which were shown to be high). I was finally referred to a rheumatologist last month, who informed me I was suffering from an autoimmune disorder which was attacking my the synovial fluid in my joints.

I am 40 years old with two small children. I have been active and healthy all my life. I just DO NOT believe my body can develop an autoimmune disorder that quickly when I have not changed one thing about my lifestyle / diet. It is just too much of a coincidence that my autoimmune disorder started within weeks after the implant was put in. I am unsure as to exactly what has caused my immune system to attack itself but I do know it is

down to the implant, either my body see's it as a 'foreign body' OR I am allergic to nickel. I tend to lean towards the latter as I am unable to wear any form of metal (apart from gold or silver) without breaking out in a rash.

I have spent hours on the internet researching the connection between 'titanium implants and autoimmune disorders' and there is most certainly a link between the two. For anyone in doubt read through these posts and do a bit of research, google: proffessor Doulgas Swartzendruber and Dr Thomas Rau (Director of the Paracelsus Clinic in Switzerland). These are two of many professional's who agree that titanium implants should not be used.

I am having mine removed next month.

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[scargills](#) Jan 08, 2013

Hi, I see you are in the UK, were you able to find someone easily to take your implant out and do you know how they are going to do it. I also have read as much as I could find on the internet and was very interested in Proff Swartendruber's findings. I so wish I could turn the clock back and have never had these implants.

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[rux1960](#) Jan 08, 2013

I was just going to go to Romania to do my teeth ( including implants- titanium since my dentist there tried to convince me I can't do the zirconia as my jaw has a difficult arch. in the meantime I have read more and learned all the downsides of titanium implant and what they can do. Since my health is not great I think I have to reconsider the idea and find a place to do the zirconia or just do a partial denture ( since I have to change the old bridges I have in my mouth for the last 18 years and created a lot of the problems I had with my gum and not being able to eat. I was wondering if I can do a MELISA test before to see if I am sensitive to titanium but I learned here that even I don't show in the test I might still get toxins from it. any ideas for other alternatives?

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[mooseymoo](#) Jan 09, 2013

Hi, I am from the UK but live in the middle east. I have found a dentist out here who will remove the implant - I am not sure how exactly as I still need to discuss the procedure with him, but I do trust him. After a long search for a good dentist, it has been a great relief to find one who is well educated (he knows he is not a doctor or scientist (or god LOL) so would never dare suggest there is no link between implants and autoimmune diseases or other serious health issues), thankfully, he is not that narrow minded. At the moment, my main concern is getting this awful thing out of my mouth and trying to get my life back again.

Rux1960 - personally I wouldn't go to Romania to have any dentistry work done, you have to come back if things go wrong. Yes, it is cheaper but you shouldn't cut costs when it comes to your teeth and ultimately your

health. I would suggest you find a holistic dentist or a dentist you feel comfortable with who can give you other alternatives rather than titanium implants. It is just not worth it.

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[scargills](#) Jan 09, 2013

Thanks for you reply, there is a new tool out that will remove an implant by unscrewing it leaving a neat hole and no more bone loss. I think it is called retrieval tool, if you look at osseonews site they have it in one of their adverts. I am trying to find someone in the uk who uses it but my problem is they are only interested when someone wants to replace their implant with a new one!! I am determined to get these out of my mouth no matter what it takes.

Rux1960

You may regret having implants if you go down that route.

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[terrybrown111](#) Jan 09, 2013

I just had my upper front tooth Zirconium implant put in (the titanium was removed last December) It has been a long journey and I finally nearing the end. In 6 months I get a crown and no more plastic trays or flippers!

The great news is I am feeling wonderful these days.

For those of you having your implants removed, I am happy for you and know how you feel. For those considering titanium, please don't do it!

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[terrybrown111](#) Jan 09, 2013

PS, the back zirconium implant has a crown now and I am going very well with it!

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[mooseymoo](#) Jan 09, 2013

hi, thanks for your reply. I know there is a tool that is used (I think) by Dr Peter Fairbairn (Scarsdale dental in Kensington) that uses the trephine bur, maybe this is the standard tool used by most dentists to remove implants I am not sure...the retrieval tool though, sounds promising.

I know that during the removal of the implant fragments of the titanium can be left behind which does worry me. My dentist, however, has assured me he would not let this happen. Have you tried contacting Dr Fairbairn? he may be able to help you or if not, he may be able to recommend someone who can.

terrybrown111 - pls can you let me know how your implant was removed? So glad to hear that you are on the mend.

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[rux1960](#) Jan 10, 2013

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[WendyB87](#) Jan 11, 2013

Maybe another dentist would have a different opinion about whether or not he or she is able to put in zirconium implants. My dentist (NY area) says he uses technology from all over the world in order to have the most flexibility.

Also, you are right about the MELISA test. It can't test toxicity, just allergy. I did not test as allergic to titanium or for that fact, many metals, and yet they were HIGHLY toxic.

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[smileynew](#) Jan 11, 2013

Exactly. Early on one contributor to this thread, Bertin76, referred to his titanium implants as toxic. How right he was!

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[WendyB87](#) Jan 12, 2013

Oddly enough, the resin temporaries put in my mouth after the titanium implants were removed are also now "toxic" to me. Dental materials were not toxic to me before the titanium implants so I believe that they set my system on high alert in some way. I've been doing a lot of cleansing and the symptoms have gotten better but by each evening the resin is stinging my tongue and I can taste it.

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[WendyB87](#) Jan 12, 2013

To add to my previous post, I'd be remiss if I didn't add that I feel soooooo much better overall after having the metal-based crowns and titanium implants removed.

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[Gallatin](#) Jan 31, 2013

Wow, amazing responses.

I was hoping someone could help me.

In December I had a nasty flu, kind of just slow and simmering. When I get the flu I feel like I'm on an elevator of sorts and have vertigo. I also had some tingling in the extremities when drinking too much caffeine at this time.

Anyway, I had a missing lower back tooth (one of the key ones for chewing) that needed replacing. I opted for a single implant (titanium) on January 17th. The procedure went very well, and I felt perfect (besides the surgery pain) for three days. Unfortunately things began to change a bit about seven days in. The first thing I noticed on day 7 was light sensitivity (especially when driving at night). I had weird, random pains over my body, and shocking/electric sensations in my fingers. Also, I seem to have really lost the ability to type fast and write well (I write fiction for a living). This is the scariest part. I find myself just "staring off" at certain times. I'm not sure if this is because of the titanium implant or the bone graft (a synthetic, naturally occurring material).

My hands now, when I type, cramp up. My writing is riddled with spelling errors, as if I cannot line things up properly. I feel almost electric, and shaky.

Before the surgery I had that awful flu, and did have some of these symptoms (tingling in extremities, dry cough, etc). But certainly NOT to this degree.

I saw my dentist six days after the procedure, complaining a bit about tenderness and pain. She examined me and did an x-ray and put me on augmentin for another seven days (I had been on doxy and flagyl prior to the procedure and after). There was a period of two days where I was not on any antibiotic. ON these days I felt pain, and my jaw felt like I had "lock jaw". At certain points of the day, I could not speak properly. This was



scary as hell.

So two nights ago I went to the ER due to the intermittent concentration issues and a consistent head pressure that felt more like the flu than anything. They ran an MRI and comprehensive blood work which came back okay.

This has been hell for the most part, although I do notice a bit of improvement. It is coming, but is slow. Could this of been the synthetic bone graft material absorbing into the bloodstream? Could the surgery have ramped up the virus I had, badly?

The site no longer hurts, and I do not have the weird feelings in the face today. But for whatever reasons, my typing is still kinda poor, although it has improved a notch the last two days. Not sure why in the heck my hands and forearms would be seizing up, and I couldn't quite "connect the dots" when typing like I did before.

I am seriously considering having the implant removed, and chalking this up as a bad reaction. I doubt any nerve was hit, as there was a delay in my symptoms to this, na dI doubt it would effect my feet and hands. I just think perhaps my body hates the implant, and is being poisoned by it. I wish I knew the exact answer, but I don;t think it's coincidence that all hell broke loose a week after the implant. That is something that cannot be ignored.

Thanks for any pointers!

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jan 31, 2013

I did not have a dental implant, I had an implant on my cervical spine. Shortly after my surgery my arm/hand seized up as if I had no control over it. I also had a rash around the site that did spread to my arms and legs. The quality of my life went down hill from there. Prior to having the implant removed I had a test to see if I was allergic to certain metals, which the results came back extremely high. I had the implant removed after 2 years and my life has greatly improved.

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[WendyB87](#) Feb 01, 2013

I also write and was making terrible spelling errors. I actually left out whole words and didn't realize it. While trying to write, I also kept staring off into space and while walking felt a very strange out of body sensation when I turned my head (my whole story is written above in the comments). Anyway, I had the implants out at the end of December and I am FINE. I would wish this nightmare on no-one. I'm so sorry you are going through this.

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[Gallatin](#) Feb 04, 2013

Thanks, Wendy.

BTW, do you know of a way to get the implant out without cutting into bone? I heard some talk of a new wrench that allows for implants to be simply unscrewed? If this is true, would you know of any dentists in the Illinois area?

It's only been 18 days, so I'm hoping the implant wouldn't have integrated with the bone.

Thanks.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 05, 2013

It is my understanding that the wrench you are referring to will remove the implant, but leave a casing it was housed in lodged in your jaw. The implants are threaded and the jaw bone grows around the implant and at some point becomes "osseointegrated" with the jaw. The usual way to remove implants is with a trephine burr or drill, which cores around the implant and thus destroys some of the bone surrounding the implant in the process. I have talked to two dentists who are now using laser to remove implants, and one said he "is having better luck now" with the laser method of removal having removed about 50 implants. I would need to ask for further clarification as to what the better luck means.

The implant is stronger than the surrounding bone which can eventually lead to bone loss around an implant as there is less weight bearing on the bone and more on the implant. My guess here is that the longer the implant is in place the more risk you have to the surrounding bone being weakened and lost. The fact that the implant is stronger than the bone that surrounds it also factors into the risk of fracture or damage to the adjacent bone if the removal is difficult.

It is odd you write fiction. The implant, a bad reaction to a flu shot, and being exposed to toxic mold have left me feeling like a character in a Stephen King novel. I never could have imagined this crap!!!

Good luck with your decision.

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[WendyB87](#) Feb 05, 2013

I lost a lot of bone when my implant was removed and the surgery took 3 hours. My surgeon was very careful but after a year they had osseointegrated. I needed a bone graft at the time and will need another later. While I don't regret getting the implants out one bit, if you can find a kinder, gentler way, I would.

In addition to Smileynow's suggestions, while I did see mention of the wrench in the post's above, I've just never personally heard of it. I would think that you'd have an easier time having the implant removed after only 18 days and have my fingers crossed for you (also, I'm in the NY metro area so not sure about Illinois). Best of luck and keep us posted.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 06, 2013

Maybe you are right about the wrench. There is a video on youtube from a company called neobiotech that has a kit for removing failed implants. It looks like the objective is to remove the implant, but leave the bone intact with the thread formation so that another implant can be placed. I don't know how new this technology is, or how you would find a practitioner who uses this method. You would probably want someone with some practice at it.

This doesn't address the issue of a possible NICO (Neuralgia induced Cavitational Osteonecrosis) lesion under the implant thought to exist by some biological and holistic dentists. You can read about it if you look up biological dental health. com or oral maxillofacial research. I don't know, my dental pain has almost disappeared after using antifungal nasal sprays and remediation of a mold issue. One dentist told me I had a cavitation in the area of the implant, which is still fixed in my jaw.

It is still a question as to whether the implant triggered the severe environmental sensitivities in my case. There is just so much they don't know, or don't want to know.

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[smileynow](#) Feb 06, 2013

Hopefully your implant isn't too big relative to the amount of bone you have, as there will be a void left which may need to be filled. Some surgeons will want to fill the hole with bone grafting material which can present another problem.

A company called Orthopedic Analysis can test your blood for reactivity to dental metals and bone cement particles if you want to get that information prior to your surgery. I don't know how bone cement particles relate to cadaver bone or bovine bone which is used by many dental surgeons for grafting.

Good luck.

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[smileynow](#) Mar 08, 2013

The environmental sensitivities to mycotoxins are continuing to be problematic.

In doing research on the removal of metal implants and the improvement of environmental illness I came upon a website.....for IRM (Alien Implant Removal & Deactivation Method). Apparently there is a group of people who have been abducted by aliens and implanted with metal devices that contribute to various physical symptoms. The website claims there to be about 2 million people in the U.S. in need of their services. They ask

if you "Have ever seen a being with huge, dark, watery-looking, almond-shaped eyes and wrinkled, gray skin? Was it wearing a skin-tight metallic body suit that lit up? Did its huge head seem out of proportion to its frail body? Were there three digits for fingers---like ET....only not as cute?" Hmmm. Spooky.

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[terrybrown12](#) Mar 18, 2013

<http://www.westonaprice.org/dentistry/dental-implants-an-integrative-perspective>

Thought you all would like this article since there are so few validating articles out there.

My health is very good now and I am doing super with the zirconium implants!!

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[WendyB87](#) Mar 19, 2013

Thanks for the article! We are described as a "small but significant" group of people. I'm so glad that this difficulty is finally getting some recognition! It would be great if one day people would be made aware of the dangers of titanium BEFORE the procedure.

I look forward to getting a zirconium implant myself after I've fully recovered from having the titanium removed!

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[carrie235](#) Apr 03, 2013

Hello All,

I fell and broke three of my top front teeth about 1.5 years ago. I had root canals in two of them but my teeth still hurt. It's not nerve pain so much but rather a pain to pressure. To be honest, I am somewhat vain about my teeth and am devastated that I have to deal with this.

My crowns look great but I cannot live with these like this. I'm so scared. I want implants but am scared of what they might do to my body (I also have lyme disease). I talked to a holistic dentist and he said that I could get a bridge but then I am putting the other supporting teeth at risk and may end up having to get an implant at some point. I am so scared and just feel like crying.

To Terrybrown...do you know if they do the zirconium implants on top front teeth and what the outcome is on those? I want them to look perfect of course and really do not want a bridge....

If it's not one thing, it's another it seems...

Thanks and hope someone gets back to me on this...

Carrie

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[WendyB87](#) Apr 04, 2013

I completely understand your concern about your current situation and about getting implants. I'm also dealing with two front teeth, although lower, and am vain about them too. I'm sure that Terry can tell you much more, but know that she is having success with zirconium implants on the upper. I think it's very important that you stay away from titanium given your lyme disease. I had autoimmune issues before I had titanium implants, and they were the straw that broke the camel's back.

Before you take this next step though, do you know what the problem is with the root canals? Since you like your crowns, maybe the issue can resolved without getting implants at all? I know that if they're infected you won't want to keep them, but just a thought to explore all options first.

Good luck.

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[carrie235](#) Apr 04, 2013

Wendy:

Thank you for getting back to me! Did you have implants on your lower front teeth then?

Who does the zirconium implants? I'm in California and I've googled and it doesn't look like there really are any...

I've had two root canals done on this one front tooth and I still have pain. I can live with it for now I guess but I want to know my options should something suddenly change.

I hate this and the anxiety that it's giving me....all because I got dehydrated and lost consiousness.... Oh how I wish I could reverse time!

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[WendyB87](#) Apr 04, 2013

Hi Carrie,

I had a very bad reaction to two titanium implants I had on two front lower teeth. I basically had metal poisoning and the symptoms were awful. Many people on this site have had very bad reactions to titanium implants. I also

reacted badly to silver palladium used in the crowns. Since then I've had them removed and am now healing. I plan to get two zirconium implants once I've healed but haven't gotten them yet. I'm a little leary since after my experience I'm afraid to get anything in my jaw, but, like you, it's in the front of my mouth and I don't want to destroy the teeth on either side for a bridge. Plus, zirconium is supposed to be much better than titanium.

I know what you mean about wishing you could reverse time. I wish I never had the titanium implants in but there's nothing to do but move forward. I know that some dentists try to preserve the teeth (your root canals) rather than removing them. I understand about the pain though. Can you consult another dentist to see what your options are? I do think you'll be able to find someone in CA though. I looked quite a bit and was nervous because I needed someone to take the titanium implants out first, but in the end, found someone who does both. Terry lives in CA too so maybe she would know.

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[WendyB87](#) Apr 06, 2013

Hi Carrie,

I am having trouble posting so I am asking Wendy to post this for me...

I live in Southern Ca and have two great dentists. I highly recommend them.

I had two titanium implants removed and replaced with zirconium. I am very happy with the results.

One is a front tooth and the other a back tooth.

Please email me if you have any specific questions. I will be happy to help.

terrybrown12 at aol \*\*\*\*\*.

Terry

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[RK2680](#) Apr 30, 2013

Just found this site. Our vet checked our dogs for heavy metals and both were positive. They were treated for 30 days with medication and then their urine tests came back negative. He happened to tell me about a friend of his who had a titanium hip replacement and had developed cancer. I just realized I had titanium hardware placed in my neck when I had a fusion 2 yr ago. No problems yet that I'm aware of but very concerned about effects down the road especially after reading the comments on this site.

The neurosurgeon who did my neck surgery told me my 2 upper neck discs

"looked pretty bad" when he did the surgery but he couldn't operate on them yet because I didn't have significant symptoms relating to those

discs at that time. I am beginning to have more neck symptoms but sure don't want more titanium put in to fix it. Does anyone know if you can have the hardware from a neck fusion removed? Also what if anything can help hold the cadaver disc etc in place besides titanium hardware? Sure would appreciate advice. Also where does a regular person like myself get my urine checked for heavy metals? Thanks so much.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) May 03, 2013

Yes you can have the hardware removed. I had a one level fusion in my neck and had the plate removed when I found out I was extremely allergic to the nickel in the titanium plate. There are labs that test blood work for allergies to metals. Since this website will not let us post web addresses, google Melisa Labs. There are a couple of the labs located in this country. I used the one in N.J and the people there were extremely helpful answering my questions. I think Dr. Valentine-Thon could give you the answers you are seeking or at least lead you in the right direction. I hope this helps.

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[smileynow](#) May 03, 2013

Or you can look up Orthopedic Analysis in Chicago. It seems with them I was able to get more metals tested for a lesser cost.

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[boston501](#) May 22, 2013

I'm a frequent visitor first time blogger. I just want to share with you my story about titanium implant I got in Feb 2011. My symptoms started few weeks after I received the implant including fatigue, neck pain, headaches, dizziness, muscle aches and intestinal inflammation. I visited my MD multiple times and had many blood tests which came back normal. MD told me that I have anxiety and gave me happy bills which I never took. I left him and went to another MD but he recommended the same treatment...anxiety medication. I have changed five MDs in less than two years. I went online and did my own search "implant side effect" and a light bulb just went on my head. I was happy to see so many of you that have the symptoms. It gave my comfort to know that there are people I could relate to. I told my MD at the time that the implant is causing my sickness and I need to get test for metal poisoning/sensitivity. He told me that it is out of his scope. It took me another year to find a physician that could order the Melisa Test so I don't have to pay for it. I'm lucky I live in Boston with so many physicians. I finally went to Visions Healthcare and ordered the Melissa test in late April and put me on detoxin supplements. The test showed no titanium reaction but 5.8 reaction to Nickel. In the meantime, my dentist was brushing off the implant was making me sick.

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[WendyB87](#) May 23, 2013

Dear Boston501,

I know exactly how you feel having been to several doctors myself who dismissed me as if I were crazy. It was truly one of the most humiliating times in my life and I really feel for you. Just make sure you don't forget though, that you are not crazy. They are just misinformed and often arrogant.

Also, don't rely too heavily on tests like the Melisa test to tell you whether you are having a reaction to the implant. I came up with an allergy to just one metal and it wasn't titanium either. What might be happening though, and which I believe did happen to me, is that with the addition of the titanium in your mouth, you are experiencing galvanization, which occurs when you have three or more different metals in your mouth. This sets up a battery-like atmosphere and will pull and release metals into your system. I also had new metals put into my mouth at the same time I had the implants put in. Whatever metal I was reacting to, I became very sick. It would be interesting to know if you have any crowns in your mouth, old or new, that have nickle in them?

I had the implants and the new crowns taken out in December. I'm still doing a lot of detox and health-supportive eating, but feel absolutely amazing now. I am so glad to have those things out of me. I'm sorry that you're going through this.

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[boston501](#) May 24, 2013

Yes, I have five crowns with root canals. It makes sense that these things make battery like atmosphere.

I went to another dentist which referred me to a surgeon and removed the implant 10 days ago. I'm already feeling the differences but still have along way to go for full recovery. The Surgeon told me the implant failed and did not integrate with the bone which may indicate that my body did not accept it. The Surgeon just unscrewed the implant and it came out without requiring any bone breaking procedure. Thank God.

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[smileynew](#) May 24, 2013

How fortunate for you that the implant didn't take with the bone. There is a website called biological dental health (connect the words together) with lots of infomation about the possible deletirious effects of metals and root canals on ones' health.

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[WendyB87](#) May 25, 2013

I agree with smileynew. You are VERY lucky that the implant didn't take. For me, the Body Ecology Diet by Donna Gates was a great starting place for healing. Also, I would not want to be without books by Dr. Sherry Rogers (especially "Detoxify or Die"). Good luck to you and so glad you'll begin to heal now.



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[jerandi](#) May 25, 2013

Anyone recommend any dentists in the Vegas area?

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[kbam2728](#) May 30, 2013

I am beyond confused and not understanding why this keeps happening to people and you have to go online to figure anything out. I had one of those titanium implants done during pregnancy 6 years ago. It has hurt forever but I just got used to it. Then 3 years ago my teeth started falling apart. I was also never feeling good. 1 year ago we found toxic mold in the house we were renting and I have nearly died 5 times on top of losing everything. I changed everything in our lives, by getting rid of chemicals, been tested for metal and in danger zones cause of all the mri's that were done to me because of a rare stroke, we are vegetarians, quit all processed food, sugar, and drinks. Only drink water, then 2 weeks ago was eating a carrot and it hit my implant. Today my implant just slowly worked its way out of my jaw. After that horrifying tooth came out the pain stopped. The hole is almost closed in only a few hours. I take a lot of supplements and use essential oils, but I am wondering if now that the titanium implant is gone will this help get rid of all the medical problems I have? I have not been able to get the metal or the mold out of my body and not able to get better and lose weight. I never in a million years would have realized this titanium was making things even worse cause ever since I had that implant done, I have had some sort of problem after all these years. Needless to say no money for a dentist, no insurance, and cannot afford a doctor. Had to go the natural route in order to live. Is it normal to feel even worse after the titanium implant is removed? Any information would be greatly appreciated.

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[WendyB87](#) May 31, 2013

It can only be good for your body that the implant is out. Maybe you're feeling worse due to the herxheimer effect since your body is able to detoxify more efficiently now. Obviously, with your body assisting you in its removal, it was toxic to your system. It sounds like you're doing all the right things with eating clean and taking supplements. I use Sherry Rogers detox cocktail of vitamin C, R-alpha lipoic acid, and glutathione. I'm still reacting to a resin temp (my body reached it's toxic limits with the implants) and I can feel the symptoms subside within a half hour of taking that combo. If you want the details you can email me at \*\*\*@\*\*\*\*. I'm sure you'll start feeling better though.

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[smileynow](#) Jun 01, 2013

What a lucky break that the buggar worked itself out! Just pray the toxicity was due to the metal and not an underlying dental cavitation. You can look up biological dental health-(-connect the words) online to read about dental cavitations. Much of what has helped me improve, though I still have the implant, are detoxification measures such as those recommended in Sherry Rogers' book and aren't covered by insurance anyway.

If the medical establishment can't label you with a chronic incurable disease or perform a procedure on you to fix the problem you will most likely go in the psych bin anyway. It took along time for me to find an M.D. knowledgeable about chronic mycotoxicity for me to get help. She said of all the supplements that the glutathione was the most important. You can also look up the book "Surviving Toxic Black Mold Syndrome" by Mary Short, D.O..

God bless.

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[boston501](#) Jun 07, 2013

I recently tooth infection which requires a bone graft material to be used to fill in the hole the infection created. I developed headaches, pressure pain, tingling and itchiness since I got the bone graft done. Does anyone know about bone grafting material autoimmune reaction or had reaction to bone grafting material?

Thank you all,

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[smileynow](#) Jun 14, 2013

You can look up Toxic Elements Research Foundation (terf info) on the web. They claim that anything implanted in the bone will trigger an autoimmune response. Anything is possible. A biological dentist may look for a possible dental cavitation in the area of the extraction. Do you know what the material is that was implanted in your bone?

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[boston501](#) Jun 14, 2013

The material is deproteinized bovine bone.

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[boston501](#) Jun 14, 2013

Thank you smileynow.

I had a titanium implant removed and also received treatment for a tooth infection I had. The dentist used bone graft material (deproteinized bovine bone) to fill in the hole the infection created and the space where the implant was removed. I felt great the first few days but I developed headaches, pressure, inflammation, tingling, fatigue and itchiness.

These are new symptoms on top of the problems the implant had been giving before removed.

Does anyone know about bone grafting material autoimmune reaction or had reaction to bone grafting material? When I got the implant in 2/2011 I did not receive a bone graft.

just reading the Toxic Elements Research Foundation (terf info) is enough.

I talked to the dentist and he is willing to remove the bone grafting material but I'm hesitant to go through another surgery. Just the implant remove procedure on 5/9/13

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[smileynow](#) Jun 15, 2013

Is the bone grafting material near your sinus? I still have the implant and bovine grafting material and have recovered 90%, but am extremely sensitive to the environment. I believe the implant and grafting material and flu shots were the tipping points in a build up of toxins. There was a small amount of toxic mold in our home which was remediated, but then I developed a severe sensitivity to the mycotoxins emitted from the mold which were on essentially everything we owned. My husband and daughter have not suffered anywhere near the sensitivity that I have. It was necessary to remove myself from the house and all of our belongings and start with detoxification methods such as the infrared sauna and cholestyramine as well as important supplements such as glutathione. It may be a condition called "implant syndrome" as coined by William Rea, m.d..

There is talk amongst the dental professionals on osseonews that the bovine grafting material is an inferior product to use. Had I know what I know now I would never have an implant again and if I did would have also investigated the materials being inserted into my body. I'm sorry you are going through this.

A great many people who are being diagnosed with chronic conditions such as asthma, chronic fatigue, fibromyalgia, m.s. and on & on are in fact being sickened by their environments and implants of various kinds. I am lucky to find a physician who was knowledgeable enough to help me, but she is on the west coast.

Don't give up!

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[boston501](#) Jun 17, 2013

I'm also taking glutathione which help me a lot since I started taking it three months ago. I was getting better until I have implant removal surgery and the infection on another tooth. The dentist used the bovine for both sites and then the fatigue, muscle aches, intestine cramps and tingling all came back roaring.

Are you on any specific diet?

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[smileynow](#) Jun 21, 2013

Eating processed foods with high sugar content worsen numbness & tingling, just not enough to stop me from the daily dose of Starbucks with cake pop which gets me through the day. Raw vegetable salad with Kale and high quality meats such as grass fed beef and buffalo are helpful.

If your feet are problematic a hot foot bath with a cup of epsom salt helps draw the toxins out..

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[boston501](#) Jun 21, 2013

Yes, I have feet and leg problems. I'll try the epsom salt bath this weekend.

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[smileynow](#) Jun 23, 2013

A website termed biologicaldentalhealth has a link: Chronic Jaw Osteitis & Heavy Metals--a threat for systemic regulation. The methods of modern dentistry may be linked to many chronic diseases and conditions.

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[smileynow](#) Jul 09, 2013

For some scary reading look up "The issue of corrosion in dental implants: a review" from the Department of Oral Pathology, University of Buenos Aires, Argentina.

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[Serbin](#) Jul 09, 2013

good morning to all, It is Serbin.

I had posted a long time ago and just wanted to give everyone an update:

30 people throughout the country have reached out for help and this is what we now know.....

Everyone had some of these symptoms: tired, joint pain, headaches, face pain, ringing in ears, sinus pressure, auto immune problems, Aching joints and the biggest complaint was tiredness! that seemed to be everyone's complaint.

Many had spent many dollars on trying to find out what was causing their life altering sickness, along with seeing doctor after doctor. All were very active and busy people before the implants. All just wanted to get on with their lives and none were the type to just sit around and say "I just want to sit around and do nothing" These were active busy people who were not the type to sit around looking for illnesses. They wanted their busy lives back.

ALL were told it cannot be implant. and "no I never heard of implants causing any problems like this". 30 patients, 30 different dentists.....30 have been removed and everyone has gotten their quality of life back again.

What else can I say.....This has been over a two year period of time.

Just putting this out there, so that maybe it will help more people who are mentally exhausted from trying to decide what to do about their implant.

P.S. As far as any bone grafting, my surgeon did not go that route. He said if I was reacting to the implant he did not want to push our luck at this time by adding anything new to my system.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jul 09, 2013

Good to har from you Serbin and thanks for all of your hard work putting that together. It is a positive affirmation for me to know that this was "just in my head." Thanks again

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[Serbin](#) Jul 17, 2013

Hello,

I see that some of you have mentioned having the implant removed by using a burr type removal. Yes, I was told that you could end up with

fragments if the implant is removed that way.

The best way is to have a very small incision made and then having the implant removed in one entire piece. That is how my surgeon removed mine with minimal bone loss. This was recommended to me. The last thing you want is to have very small pieces ending up in your body.

Search til you find the right dentist who has a lot of experience in removing your implant. Otherwise, you can be looking at more problems.

Fatigue and autoimmune problems seem to be the consistent complaint of the people I have spoken with. There can also be other problems but that was a common denominator with people.

If anyone is looking for a good surgeon in the Philadelphia area, just let me know. I can pass mine along to you.

Have a good evening and pass the word on. We can help many others just by telling our experiences with titanium implants..

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[terrybrown112](#) Jul 21, 2013  
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[terrybrown112](#) Jul 21, 2013  
Hi Everyone,

I have not posted recently as for some reason I have not been able to log into my old accounts. I started a new one today so I could list my surgeon here.

Dr Mehta is EXCELLENT and has taken out implants for several people to date. All with great results. He has the tools and the knowledge.  
I HIGHLY recommend him!

Dr. Mehta  
Tustin California  
714 838 1238

Terry

PS: I have emailed Serbin and we have it on our to do list to compile a file of all who have contacted us with

their symptoms, stories and success with implant removal to have it all in one neat PDF. This would be so helpful for people going through what we have been through and also for professionals to see.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jul 21, 2013

Someone sent me a quote about \*\*\*\* Van Dyke and his having neurological problems and now suspects a dental implant. Also in this quote that he was sick for a while and just now coming to this conclusion. Why do doctors keep this from us? Very sad the time he lost.

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[smileynow](#) Jul 22, 2013

Terry,

Do you know if your Dr. used a burr to remove your implant, or did he use another method like Serbin mentioned?

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[smileynow](#) Jul 22, 2013

Thank you so much for the information on the technique used to remove your implant. It would be interesting to know how they work the threads of the metal loose from the bone if it has integrated well. I vaguely remember your story on the day of removal, and do not remember it being so bad for you.

The other health issues you mentioned--did they improve as well once the implant was removed?

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[terrybrown112](#) Jul 22, 2013

Hi,

Dr Mehta has a new kit from Europe which is designed to remove titanium implants. He had to take mine out before this was available but he did a great job and there were no complications other than perhaps a bit more

bone loss, which was fixed with a bone graft.

Terry

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[Serbin](#) Jul 23, 2013

Hi Smiley,

My implant was completely adhered to the bone. No grafting had been done prior or after removal.

He made a small incision and was able to just slip the implant out in one piece. It was easier then having a tooth removed. No strong pulling or yanking. It only took a few minutes once I was numbed up. No special tools that he mentioned. Right doctor, right ability.....right results!!!

I am doing well and feel fine.

Good talking with you Smiley. Take care and stay in touch so we can inform more people.

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[niceweather](#) Jul 29, 2013

Hi all,

Here is my story. I had my titanium implant in my upper tooth a month ago. I had headaches right after the surgery, but my doc said its due to sinus lifting surgery. Since i did not have enough sinus height, i had to do sinus lift prior to implant surgery.

Since 2 weeks ago, my headaches got worse and i felt strange feeling in my face, something like electricity flow. Sometimes the headache pain resonate all the way to the back of my head. I explained this to my dentist. He was speechless. He was also compasstionate, but did not believe it could be the metal.

Anyway, i kept calling him and demanding strong painkiller. He is now convinced that something is wrong. I will have this implant out this week. My other concern is bone graft materials. I read someone say that his bone graft matetils caused headaches. Is it possible to remove not just implant but also bone graft? If so, i will ask my doc to remove all. Probably he thinks that i am nut. I also plan to have melisa test this week, but i dont want to wait until result comes out.

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[WendyB87](#) Jul 30, 2013

Hi niceweather,

I'm sorry to hear that you are having adverse reactions to your implant like so many of us have had. I also had intense headaches when the implant went in, which only got worse over time. It's good that you're getting it out before any more damage accrues. I also had bone grafting done with a synthetic material and my own bone combined. This was done when the implant was removed. I did a lot of detoxing at the point but don't recall any new symptoms that I thought were due to the bone grafting. I've heard that the bone grafting material is temporary with your own bone eventually replacing it. You might want to get someone else's opinion about it's safety though.

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[terrybrown112](#) Jul 31, 2013

I second everything Wendy said!

I have had many bone grafts with no issue at all, only had issue with the titanium implants.

A few of us have had success with with having our titanium replaced with a zirconium implant if you want to consider that option.

All the best to you!

Terry

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[niceweather](#) Aug 01, 2013

Hi WendyB87,

I had my implant removed 2 days ago. I felt pain on one of my adjacent tooth after the surgery and it didn't get better. The other day I went to endo to find out about the adjacent tooth. She said it looks like its dying.

My periodontist who did the implant surgery told me that my case is very rare and it never happened in his 20 years of practice.

I am frustrated - I spent a lot of money for implant surgery plus sinus lift surgery and I have to pay for another root canal surgery.

My headache was unbearable before implant removal and it was like my brain was hammered down and its pain resonates the back of my head. . It's been 2 days since the titanium implant removed. I still have headache around my temples, but I feel about 30% better. At least no shooting pain around the implant area.

I am seeing my doc again this Saturday - we will discuss removing the bone graft, but I am also hesitant because I do not want any more damage to my other teeth due to additional surgery.

I also have sinus pressure and feel pain on my upper middle front teeth.

My periodontist said it might be a sinus inflammation and he prescribed steroid pill (for 6 days) to remove

inflammation. Haven't taken it yet.

As of right now, I don't think I will move forward with implant. Do not know what to do. Even thought about partial denture.

I am 40 and my doc said I am too young to consider denture option, but I just can't keep spending without knowing what would happen.

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[niceweather](#) Aug 01, 2013

Hi Terrybrown112,

My periodontist said he doesn't do other types of implant. He only does titanium. For your info, mine was Astra OsseoSpeed titanium implant and my bone graft material is Bioss.

I haven't fully decided if I have my doc remove my bone graft yet.

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[WendyB87](#) Aug 02, 2013

Hi niceweather,

I don't know how to advise you regarding the bone graft material. I didn't react and I would probably take the wait and see approach, giving your body some time to detoxify before you move forward with that. I'm also sorry to hear that your good tooth is now dying. That must be very frustrating. If all your dentist does is titanium though, I would definitely find another dentist who works with zirconium oxide, which is a ceramic. I'm in the NY area and have an excellent dentist who just put a zirconium implant in a little over a week ago, and I am having no adverse reactions at all.

Also, it's great that you feel 30% better. I have been doing a ton of detoxifying since I had my titanium implant removed and feel like a different person - even better than before I had the implant in. The Body Ecology diet has worked well for me, plus taking detoxifying supplements and doing actual detoxes. If you want any more info on this stuff send me a message and I can give you my email address (last time I tried to put it up in this context, the board took it down).

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[jan81350](#) Aug 07, 2013

HI all ,

Sorry for my language , English isn't my motherlanguage.

I am shocked when i do read the comments on this blog. 11 years ago i had some implants. Two in the front because i did loose them in an accident.

I was getting very depressed, anxious after the surgery. I tought i had a depression so i did take xanax. It did cover up the symptoms a bit.

I stopped xanax after several years, it was hell. But i did and i still have some symptoms left. I am very very tired and have no life, no work. I tought it was because of the xanax. But now years later i recognize that this can't be anymore. I also think that xanax did cover up symptoms from the implants.

This because i also feel pressure in my head, on the right side comming out the right implant. Sinus problems too. Cannot concentrate and have never the feeling that i am aware of myself, little bit disconnected. I did read this symptom too on the blog. Even writing is difficult.

For me it is getting more clear, the implants are giving me to much tension and pressure on my nervesystem. Also my muscles are switching.

I have an appointment with a bio dentist. The dentist will take a look on it.

My question ... : i talked with doc's about removing those implants but they all say that it does hurt very very much, that i probably couldn't handlle the pain.

I also cannot under sleep surgery because i react wrong.

This all is a trauma for me. But can i remove those poison out of my mouth ?

What can i do ?

Thank you for reading

Jan

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[WendyB87](#) Aug 08, 2013

I know of a number of different people who have had their implants out and we ALL have gotten through it. While some surgeries were easier than others, I consider mine to be one of the harder ones, and still, I didn't feel anything during the surgery except for a lot of yanking at one point. The pain after the surgery lasted about a week and I took Motrin and painkillers to help with that. I would suggest finding a surgeon who feels more competent in removing the implants without the promise of pain!!

I also experienced the inability to focus even though I had no difficulty doing so before. Then, it got to the point that I kept making writing errors and sometimes didn't even see the ends of words. An out-of-body experience accompanied this at times and I felt very disconnected. I'm so sorry that you're experiencing this trauma. And it IS trauma. But if you think your symptoms stem from your implants, you are right, you have poison in your mouth. You need to get it out so that you can begin to heal and feel better. Mine have been out for a year and I've replaced them with zirconium oxide implants. I've never felt better. Good luck and keep us posted.

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[jan81350](#) Aug 08, 2013

Hi wendy ,

Thank you for your answer. It means alot to me. On the 4th september i have an appointment with a biodentist. From there on i will see wich direction i have to follow.

My only concern is that i had three operations to place them, i was totally under sleep. I hope we speak about the same implants , implants that are been drilled in the jawbone. I hope they can come out eazy... .

I am chronique fatigue now for several years, and i begin to realize that the poison in my mouth is giving me the low energy. Maybe i will make a breaktrough when i remove them and than i have got a life.

Thank you so much for your answer.

I will keep you posted.

Jan

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[Bsmeahan](#) Aug 08, 2013

I have had my three implants for a little over a year and been so sick and my gums hurt around them so bad, I am going in this next week and telling the dentist I want them out....after reading all of this I know this is the right choice even tho they cost me so much I am tired of feeling this way!

Thank you for posting on here..

God Bless

Barb

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[WendyB87](#) Aug 09, 2013

Dear Jan and Barb,

It will probably be beneficial for both of you to have your implants removed. Yes, it is expensive. I paid over 10K to have mine in (including the the crowns) and now I'm paying about the same to have them redone in zirconium oxide. It's worth it though. What good is money if you can't live to enjoy it?

Jan, if you aren't satisfied with what you hear from the biodentist, continue to look further, although he may be fine. I consulted an oral surgeon who specialized in zirconium and a dentist who also specialized in zirconium

oxide implants and crowns. I chose to go with the dentist because he was so confident in what he was doing and did not question my intent while the oral surgeon made me scared. It was the right choice. (I'm in the NY area if you want his info). You want someone who knows what he's (or she) is doing and is willing to work with you. And yes, we are talking about the same implants drilled into the jaw. The dentist I had affiliated with the surgeon who put them in tried to tell me it was a "permanent" operation. With encouragement and support, I looked further. I'm telling you this just so that you don't feel pigeon-holed. Good luck to both of you.

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[WendyB87](#) Aug 09, 2013

I forgot to mention, I was awake during my surgeries. It might be nice to be in the bliss of sleep but there is no need to go to sleep for the surgeries.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 09, 2013

To those who are thinking of removing their dental implants, I know it is scary thought. I had a cervical implant for almost 2 years and my life became a mess. I had it removed a year ago and my life is much, much better. After my surgery the improvement to my health didn't happen overnight and there is still ways to go but the improvements for me were well worth the second surgery.

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[niceweather](#) Aug 09, 2013

I had my implant removed 2 weeks ago and had bone grafting removed 1 week ago. As a result, my sinus lift surgery has undone. Headaches decreased a little, but I still have headaches and strange sinus pressures and pain on front middle teeth.

Went to see ENT. He said I have no sinus infection nor sinusitis and he thinks my pain has to do with the dental surgery done 6 weeks ago.

My periodontist who did the surgery doesn't know what's going on and I am worried about this pain.

I researched and heard that if nasopalatine nerve damaged, you have sinus pressure and front teeth pain and I asked my doc. He said the changes of touching my nasopalatine nerve is almost zero.

Has anyone experienced something similar?

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[boston501](#) Aug 12, 2013

I had my dental implant removed on May 9th. I still have inflammation, pressure, and pain. I think my symptoms are due to a bone grafting material the surgeon put in my chew after he removed the implant. I have an appointment this week to remove the bone graft.

Hope you feel better.

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[niceweather](#) Aug 13, 2013

Hi Boston501

Hope you feel better after removing bone grafting. I had my implant removed on July 30 and removed bone grafting on August 4. I am taking antibiotics and my gum is healing now. My biggest concern is the adjacent tooth and my front teeth. They are sensitive and their ligaments are a little swollen. I am not eating anything solid but soft so that I can give them enough rest. My periodontist seems to have no clue about all these issues and kept asking me to go to a few different doctors, which is quite stressful.

He once told me that he would give me a full refund, but now he said he also had to use medical materials to do surgery...etc. and he seems to avoid me now. I don't mind he changing his mind and not giving me a refund. I just would like to be healed.

Just by curious, what would you do after removing bone grafting? Are you going to go by a bridge or different implant?

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[boston501](#) Aug 13, 2013

The implant was in the second to last tooth of the upper jaw so I decided not anything cause I don't want to go through what I went through again.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 14, 2013

Hi, niceweathee, boston501, & ALL

Long story short, environmental toxins were contributing to jaw and sinus pain over the implant for me. Using amphotericin B nasal spray and staying away from toxic mold and resulted in a total abatement of any pain near the sinus, jaw, or implant. I tell you this because I believe if I were to have removed the implant while still living in that environment the pain near the implant would have continued. The sinus lift and inadvertent perforation of the implant surgery left the sinus unable to efficiently clear environmental contaminants. It felt like a chronic infection.

Symptoms prior to implant surgery were sinusitis, coughing, joint aches without swelling, hyperacidity, sleep trouble, and cystitis to name a few. You can get a pretty good idea of toxic black mold syndrome in a book by Mary Short, D.O.. if you want to look it up.

In a way the implant was a good thing as it was the final tipping point. After the implant I remember getting heart palpitations, muscle cramps, knee aches and feeling more unwell, but I didn't make any connection. To add further insult to my body I took a flu shot with a preservative or adjuvant that was toxic for me.

In a way we are the lucky ones who have pain near the site of the implant. Others will have a mysterious and miscellaneous array of symptoms seemingly unrelated to their recent surgery.

Another point is if you would have looked at my health history I had no business getting a sinus lift or lodging a foreign object in my jaw. Bottom line is that the titanium implant is just another toxin the body needs to process and some bodies tend to store toxins versus efficiently excrete them.

I still have the titanium screw lodged in the jaw, as I have yet to find a surgeon I am comfortable with and the environmental medicine specialist wanted to see if I could recover without further surgery. Detoxification methods such as infrared sauna and supplements such as glutathione are helpful and easy enough to get without a physician.

Best of luck to all in detoxing from this nightmare!

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[laproffe](#) Aug 21, 2013

Does somebody know a dentist in Phoenix, Arizona area that can remove implants? I have an implant that is driving me crazy. Thanks

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[jodielt](#) Aug 29, 2013

I am wondering what is the longest time anyone here has had a titanium implant before first noticing symptoms?

I am losing teeth pretty fast after having all my old amalgams removed due to health issues. I've been allergy tested for titanium and I'm not reacting, however I'm being cautious. Titanium is used in hip joints, knee joints

etc and I may need an ankle repair as well as a lot of dentistry so I need to find out what titanium can do to me.

The only way to seriously test for reactions seems to be to have titanium in your body somewhere 24/7 so my specialist has put a small titanium screw (used to hold in temporary dentures) into space left by a lost tooth. If there are any adverse reactions that will be coming out in a flash and will be pretty easy to get out (unlike a proper implant). He has done this very cheaply as it wasn't too complicated a process. BUT I am wondering how long I need to keep it in there - I'm thinking 6 months ought to cover it.. but hence my question as this is just a guess on my part.

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[WendyB87](#) Aug 30, 2013

I had my implants in for a year before I noticed any symptoms although I can't swear that I didn't have headaches since I was in grad school and may have attributed them to the stress. I believe my first noticeable symptoms (super intense headaches and naseau) began due to the addition of more titanium, which was the post that stuck up in my mouth in addition to what was in the bone. My symptoms became full-blown with the addition of other metals, made worse by the galvanization effect.

I think it's great that you're taking a cautious route in testing for the effects of the metals. If you have real concerns about titanium though, which it sounds as if you do, I would look into the even safer route of using a different material for the implant. After having my titanium implants removed, I've had a zirconium oxide implant put in. With me, I believe the effects were cumulative, although others have reacted right away to the titanium alone.

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[jodiett](#) Aug 31, 2013

ah thanks for that.."cumulative" does make sense to me, I get that with many things, can take a small amount but once it goes over a certain level then symptoms kick in. I also have a suspicion that the abutment part of an implant may sometimes not be as pure titanium as the implant itself - something to watch out for. I know about zirconium but they are at least twice the price of good titanium implants, I am keeping it in mind tho..

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[WendyB87](#) Aug 31, 2013

I have an idea that the abutments used in my case were not as pure. I'm glad it's all out though. My zirconium implants cost about the same as the titanium and I believe I'm going to a pretty good dentist so look around. Also, something else to consider. I have now paid for two titanium implants, the crowns to go with them, having them removed, and now the whole zirconium deal. It would have been so much less expensive to do this just once!



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[smileynow](#) Aug 31, 2013

You are already having health issues? Do you already have a history of allergies and sensitivities, and that is why you are taking these precautions? My non-FDA approved opinion is that you take the risk of adding to the troubles you already have by lodging a foreign object in your jaw.

Read what Joseph Mercola has to say about titanium implants and also look up Toxic Elements Research Foundation to get an idea of points of view other than you will hear from your dentist.

My experience and that of many others on this thread is that you can have a beautiful implant perfectly integrated with the bone which produces no localized symptoms, and yet experience other unexplainable symptoms after a metal implant.

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[jodiett](#) Sep 01, 2013

Yes, I had serious Multiple Chemical Sensitivities for years, am about 80% well now, the turnaround happened after I had many old mercury amalgams removed. I'm very attuned to possible weird things going on in my body, I've had 'em all! But dentistry is a minefield, so many chemicals & half the time the dentists don't even know what they're putting in your mouth. I'm losing teeth and have to decide on a direction, each one has its problems..plastic part dentures / with chemical fixatives or implants...and these are not cheap things to test for as MCS reactions do not show up in allergy type test, all you can do is self-test. I may also need titanium for ankle repair at some point, so I really want to know what it does to me, this was the best way to find out, this only cost about £200, it's just a question of how long to keep it in there.

Most dentists here now do titanium implants, very few do zirconium..that could be a reason for difference in price. Titanium is about £1000 all inclusive, zirconium is twice that.

A word of advice peeps - look after the back teeth ! you need 2 up , 2 down each side - I discovered they're the ones that do the really serious hard work! Almost impossible to chew without them. I've already lost one and another one going soon, I'm already finding it hard to eat properly...back teeth are what I'm going to have to put big bucks into sorting out. When the front teeth go I'll have some sort of part denture, but can only test one thing at a time & at the moment it's a couple molars I have to make a decision on.

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[WendyB87](#) Sep 02, 2013

Chemical sensitivities are a huge part of my problem too and I hear what you are saying about the plastic. In case you're interested, following the principals of the Body Ecology Diet has helped me so much with chemical overload. After my titanium implants were out, the plastic temporary stung the tip of my tongue. I used a detox

cocktail mix (glutathione, Esther C, glycine & reduced alpha lipoic acid acid) and followed the Body Ecology Diet and although it took a couple of months, my symptoms disappeared. In fact, I had my temp glued in yesterday with some sort of cement and resin and no symptoms!! To me, that's proof these treatments work. Have you done anything to help with the detox after having the amalgms out? I had my amalgams removed years ago and my nutritionist recommended zeolite but I haven't done it yet.

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[teabags1](#) Sep 02, 2013

Good day! I know this thread is about dental implants but I'm going to post this in here just in case. My dad has been sick since he had a back operation on April 11. They inserted a device called a "Coflex" into his low spine instead of doing a fusion. He has run fevers every month since he had that titanium put in his body. He has severe cold chills (looks like he's convulsing) and his fever gets up to 103 sometimes. This cycle does pass but he still is not himself after. His body is being attacked by something. He gets a rash on his face, flaky skin on his face, runny nose and severe dizziness before these attacks. He is hospitalized and released once fevers go away. This has been happening every month since April. They have run so many tests. Bone scan, MRI's, Bone marrow biopsy, x-rays, blood work etc. All negative. There is no infection in his body. I have felt like this titanium Coflex thing has been the culprit all along. Hard to get doctors to take that seriously because NO ONE is allergic to titanium or titanium alloys. We have finally succeeded in sending a blood sample to a private lab in New Jersey for Melisa testing (metal sensitivity/allergy) and are waiting on the results.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Sep 02, 2013

Teabags 1,

I am glad to hear that you sent your dad's sample to the Melisa lab in N.J. What the doctors told you is false. I was told the very same thing, but within a few days after my fusion, I was so sick. My PCP gave her personal phone number to my husband because I was so sick. Long story short I finally had the implant removed almost 2 years after it was installed. Within weeks I was feeling better. The second surgeon said that the implant leached into my bones. After about a year I am doing pretty good, not 100%, but having that implant removed was the best thing I could have ever done for myself. BTW, the melisa test showed that I was highly allergic to the nickel in the titanium implant. I even had told the original surgeon prior to my surgery, that I do not wear jewelry or even a watch because of an allergy to metal.

Best of luck with your dad. Please keep us updated.

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[jodiett](#) Sep 03, 2013

Hi Wendy, that's interesting, I will look that up. My nutritionist mentioned glutathione but as there are very few oral supplements I can tolerate she gave me a body cream to use. Didn't make any difference at the time tho. We detoxed the mercury with something called PcaRx but she has now moved to Zeolite. There are about 200 different brands tho, you need a good one, she uses ACZ nano Extra Strength [http://www.resultsrna.com/products/acz\\_nano\\_faq.php#.UiWg\\_hZpvBI](http://www.resultsrna.com/products/acz_nano_faq.php#.UiWg_hZpvBI) .. that's a practitioner's site but you can buy it in ebay I was told it's impossible to get all the mercury out without something to help shift it.

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[jodiett](#) Sep 03, 2013

because NO NONE is allergic to titanium or titanium alloys. << that is absolute BS. What is wrong with these people?? you can be allergic to anything under the sun. Even your everyday dentist knows a small % of people are allergic to titanium. Also IIRC a tiny % of nickel is allowed in precious metals even under European laws, so check with your supplier of titanium that when they are saying there is no nickel in any of their products do they really mean no nickel, or do they mean no nickel according to current regulations which allow for nickel.

Also not all reactions will show up as classical allergies. I was seriously ill for many years with allergic type reactions and none of them showed up in any allergy test anyone could come up with. Your body is way more complicated than simple IGE/IGG reactions.

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[smileynow](#) Sep 03, 2013

teabags 1 makes some good points for you to consider. You can ask for a materials safety data sheet on the materials you consider using. I would also ask where the implant is being manufactured as some are being made in countries with a dubious track record for shipping out some toxic materials. It is your right to know.

What you say about the back molars doing the bulk of the chewing work is true, especially with the first upper molar. This is another reason the titanium ions and other metal ions are released to a greater degree should you get an implant where that tooth would have been. These implants are not inert, as many dentists say. An Italian journal of materials science had an article on the titanium ions being found in nearby tissue and the aluminum ions "leaking profusely" into the surrounding tissue from titanium alloy implants. I never would have knowingly consulted to have the implant installed had a known aluminum would be leaking into the jaw bone so close to the brain!

Sensitivities can be thought of in a "total load" concept. A good little book to pick up is "Chemical Sensitivity" by Sherry Rogers, M.D.. She goes into some detail about the nutrients depleted in the detoxification process.

For myself the implant added to my pre-existing allergies and sensitivities and is still doing so. A good website is biological dental health, but pull the words together. You can read about the possibility of toxic dental cavitations existing at the site of an implant. Then you get nasty crap in the bone mixing with heavy metals, a real treat for your system!

You are in England? There is a clinic I read about called the Munro-Hall clinic that practices biological dentistry.

I wish you the best.

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[smileynow](#) Sep 04, 2013

I also read that people with pre-existing sinus and nasal issues are not good candidates for the sinus lift procedure. In addition to your pre-existing sinus issues, you will then have an anatomic abnormality in the sinus. There is also the chance of sinus perforation, particularly with the upper first molar implants. I would ask your practitioner what his or her track record is with regard to such perforations and what will be done to minimize the risk. I should have a CT scan prior to the implant surgery.

Also of particular risk when getting an implant is an adjacent tooth with a root canal. Your body has somehow made peace or kept in check the toxins from a dead root canal tooth, but then lodging a piece of hardware next to it might be the tipping point. This happened to me.

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[smileynow](#) Sep 04, 2013

Correction--the aluminum didn't leak profusely, rather diffusely into the surrounding tissue.

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[jodiett](#) Sep 05, 2013

Yes I'm aware upper teeth can be a particular prob because of sinus issues, I do have rumbling sinus infections (look up neti pot for anyone interested in controlling this w/out drugs, it works!). I haven't yet found an antibiotic I can tolerate for more than a few days which rules out sinus lifts anyway. However it's 2 bottom molars I'm having probs with at the moment, and when it comes to dentures it's the bottom teeth which cause most probs, so I'm told..

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[WendyB87](#) Sep 05, 2013

Thanks for the info on the brand name of the zeolite. I've never detoxed with it but think it's in my future. I've gotten increasingly sensitive to all sorts of materials also (although not as severe as yours) and believe this had something to do with my bad reaction to the titanium even though I tested negative for an allergic reaction on the MELISA test. Dr. Valentine-Thon (US rep for the test) said that titanium (or any metal) can be toxic to your system without your being allergic to it. Like Smileynow, I was also greatly helped by a book by Sherry Rogers, which is "Detoxify or Die." That's where I read about the detox cocktail she mentioned earlier. My chemical sensitivities have decreased significantly since using her formula, although not much help if you're allergic. Just a thought but my dentist who put in my zirconium implant also practices in Europe. I feel very safe with him. He's Bulgarian although I think he may practice in London. His name is Dr Veselin Shumantov. If you send me a message I can give you his email.

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[jodiett](#) Sep 10, 2013

I emailed Biohorizons, BioNobel and Straumann, got replies from the last 2 very quickly. Unfortunately they won't copy and paste here, I've tried! But worth asking if you want the lowdown on what's going into implants and all the bits and pieces, it does vary.

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[jodiett](#) Sep 10, 2013

As a quick summary of the Straumann letter, most parts used are titanium grade 4, their ROXOLID are titanium-zirconium alloy, their SynOcta abutments are titanium/aluminium/niobium. It is worth knowing this - possibly that last type of abutment could be a problem? this is what Wiki says about niobium..

"In 1961 the American physicist Eugene Kunzler and coworkers at Bell Labs discovered that niobium-tin continues to exhibit superconductivity in the presence of strong electric currents and magnetic fields,[14] making it the first material to support the high currents and fields necessary for useful high-power magnets and electrically powered machinery. Niobium is used in various superconducting materials. . "

If we understand what they are using, we might be able to make a safer choice. Straumann say no nickel is added to any of these but trace amounts occur anyway, which I what I suspected. I guess you could be unlucky with the amount of nickel you happen to get on one piece of titanium.

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[hp499](#) Sep 11, 2013

Has anyone been tested for it? If so where?

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[franco38](#) Oct 01, 2013

Hi all,

I need some support i think. I am nearly ten years sick. In the first place i thought it was from stopping xanax. Did take this because of high heartrate.

Benzowithdrawal is hell too. If you google it you can find alot of info about it.

The symptoms that you can have after stopping benzodiazepines are quitly the same as the problems from dental implants. In a way it's logical because they both work on your nervesystem, the brains.

After a fight of ten years i do become to the conclusion that the implants are holding me from healing after the benzowithdrawal. It was quite a shock.

In fact i think that the dental problems where covered by the benzo's, like when you have backpain, a painkiller can help. I have my implants now for over 12 years.

All this info makes the story much different and i think all the pain that i had after stopping the xanax was after a while only from the dental implants. But i couldn't knew it. The use of xanax did only made the brain more sensitive.

My symptoms are horrible. When i pull the dental implants down, so when i pull the teeth, the pressure in my head dissapears and i feel my brain is gettin some air again.

My symptoms are:

- constantly pressure in my head, only right side.
- cannot speak , like i can not find my words.
- totally lost my concentration, like i am out of my body
- memory loss
- hole my body feels like i am under stress, my bones are hurting
- my muscles are moving constantly and do hurt, very scary, especially in left leg.
- my heart is loosing sometimes his rythem, alot of heartbouncing.
- my stumic hurts especially the acid.
- did not have the hungerfeeling for about ten years.
- i do loose weight very quick.
- i am in my bed constantly because i ain't have got the energy to do something.
- so chronique fatigue.

Please , somebody , help me. I feel like my body cannot have this anymore. I begin to realize there is not much time left. The only problem is that i cannot handdle aneesthesia or any other narcotics. Than my heartrythem is going to low, i had problems before with that.

I cannot find a dentist in Belgium, they all laugh with the fact.

Please, i am fighting for my life, can somebody help me?

Is there a possibility to do this under local aneesthesia ?

When i pull on the teeth now it hurts so much, just like a needle is placed in my mouth but more worse than that.

It's the front of my teeth, the two, so two metals between eachother. On the picture i can see than one implant is not straight, it feels like that one is giving the most pressure.

All what i have written hear is out of my heart, my last scream for help.

Is there somebody with info or has an email adress where i can ask some questions? If i will be saved from the implants i will fight this crime till my last breath. You have got to be aware as a doctor that some people can't handdle titanium metals. It's a crime.

I am scared i am dying.

Sorry for my language, i speak Dutch, English isn't my motherlanguage so i hope you could read this all without to much faults.

I am so thankfull for reading this, and i pray for an answer.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 01, 2013

I am so sorry for all of your pain. I did not have a dental implant, I had a cervical one, but I am sure those that had dental implants will be answering your questions soon. You may want to check out melisa dot org while you wait. I had metal testing and that showed I was allergic to the implant. There is life after all of this, but you have to be the one to be proactive. I wish you all the best of God's blessings and that you find your answers soon.

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[takeitout](#) Oct 03, 2013

I used to be a pretty fearless and independent person, enjoyed travelling, and directed my own independent publishing company for 9 years, virtually single handed.

But in December 2009 I opted to invest in a titanium dental implant to replace a missing molar tooth, and over the following 3 and a half years I almost lost everything. I suffered from a series of unexplainable ailments from throbbing in the jaw and head, constant infections, lowered immune, impaired vision, tachycardia, shortness of breath, facial skin conditions, general hypersensitivity, aching joints and debilitating migraines, to chronic fatigue and anxiety, all leading to severe stress and panic attacks.

It came to the point where I was afraid to leave the house. I struggled to walk to the end of our street, let alone travel by car or plane, I intentionally avoided flights and didn't go abroad for almost 2 years. I gradually pushed myself into the situations I feared and learned to overcome them, and for a long time I fought alone, battling to hide the crippling phobias from my son and others around me, all the while conscious that people would be imagining i'd given up on my career and in my personal life, when in reality I simply couldn't function, simple tasks became a chore, each day was another chance to beat this thing, but it was impossible having no idea what



I was fighting... Sure I had some stress from my 'job' and in my personal life, but I'd always worked at my own pace, and I enjoyed it. It was my son, and my projects that kept me going, kept me sane, but they would soon pay for my increasingly emotional, physical and mental absence.

I spent the past two years investigating my situation, doing Melisa allergy test and consulting top dental professionals, searching these internet forums, about the unexplained neurological and physical disorders and learning about others who regained health immediately following the removal of their implants.

Why I didn't do anything until now...

The initial implant operation had been traumatic, so much so that I felt I couldn't return to the clinic.

Immediately after the implant was placed I had had a panic attack almost passing out, a physical feeling that I couldn't tolerate the foreign object in my body. I virtually pleaded to have it taken out but was quickly dismissed and sent on my way. I wasn't contacted to check if I was alright or given a follow up appointments.

i went back to the dentist after the 'porcelain' crown came loose, and insisted he removed it after discovering (from my own investigation with lab and manufacturer) it to be alloy metal fused (the abutment also has other metals than titanium), he then charged me for the replacement zirconia crown which i refused on grounds of misinformation and malpractice... He was very abusive and insensitive implying I am crazy and threatening to report me to the dental association(should be the other way around!?).

Anyway I actually felt better while the crown and abutment were out for 2 wks, aching disappeared, but since the replacement crown was glued down all symptoms have returned and i am also suffering from intense migraines, accompanied by blurred vision, numbing of face and hands, vomitting and nausea.

I am booked to see a neurologist next wk for tests, if no other cause is found then removal of the implant in the coming months, whatever the cost.

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[franco38](#) Oct 03, 2013

I have got the same problem my friend. I am so scared for the surgery too. I have an oppointment with a dentist 8 october and than i will see what they can do about it. It's a nightmare, but we cannot give up, whatever the cost.

Yours Franco

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[takeitout](#) Oct 03, 2013

I hope you get the right help. I found a reputable surgeon in London who I will go to if / when I get the implant out, it won't be cheap but I prefer to get my health back and be poorer!

I don't know if he can remove it without touching the bone though, I read about laser method...

Did you find out anything ?

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[franco38](#) Oct 03, 2013

Hi,

I hope also i get the right help. No i didn't find anything. I live in Belgium, but if your doctor is ok i will come to London. Is it local anaesthesia or is it in full sleep when they do the surgery?

The problem is that i can't handdle a full narcosis.

I will be poorer too but this hell has got to stop. I lost all my energy and live.

Are you talking other medication for your health or panicattacks ?

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[franco38](#) Oct 03, 2013

Hi Takeitout,

If you want to, can you inform me in the future about that doctor because it isn't eazy to find a good one here in Belgium. I try to do it under local aneesthesia and that hard to find. I also don't know if it's possible that you can have local, maybe the pain is to much.

I have got not much time left because my body is loosing this. It's very hard.

Thank you .

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[WendyB87](#) Oct 04, 2013

Hi Takeitout. I also had compounded symptoms from my abutment and porcelain and metal crown placed on top of the implant and abutment. My symptoms were similar to use and included the skin rashes, itches, impaired vision etc. After doing research online, I discovered these were signs of advanced heavy metal poisoning. I had my the implant taken out and felt instantly better although I needed to seriously detox to become all the way well. I've since replaced the titanium with zirconium and am in the healing phase of this journey. Please do consider removing the titanium and as well as all metals in your mouth. This was what was advised to me after I had MELISA testing, even though my results were negative for an allergic reaction. You don't need to be allergic to be poisoned.

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[terrybrown112](#) Oct 04, 2013

Removal is a piece of cake!!! Just novicane!!  
Two years since the removal and I am healthy!

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[franco38](#) Oct 08, 2013

HI all,

I just went to the dentist to aks some advice. Ofcourse he laughed with my story. It was quite painfull. I asked him if the procedure to remove them. He maked me very scared and told me that my bone, where the implant is placed in, will be a big hole some my lips will fall in.

He also told me that it was very very painfull. In Belgium i had called all the adresses i had to ask advice. Nobody wants to coöporate with me.

I am forced to let do the operation in another country.

Is there somebody who can help me with an adress? Is there somebody who i can ask advice of what the outcome will be for my face. I have got not much bone left , and i am scared i will have a stupid look afterwards.

Sorry for my language but i speak dutch and writing in English was several years ago.

Thank you for reading , and i hope for an answer because my body is giving up. If i live like this for another year i think i will not survive.

I pray for help. There is not much help you can find.

Thank you

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[franco38](#) Oct 08, 2013

I even can't write anymore, if i have got no solution , or if i cannot find one i think it's better to die.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 08, 2013

Dear Franco,

I am so sorry you are going through such a horrible time. I didn't have the dental implants, I had a cervical (neck) one, but I am sure others who have had the dental implants will be along shortly and give you some names and addresses.

I do understand how horrible the allergies to these metals can be. There is a solution, and just hold on and you will have your solution soon. I will say a prayer for you.

And the reason the dentist laughed is he knows what you are telling him is the truth, but since dentistry uses a lot of metal, it worries him.

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[franco38](#) Oct 08, 2013

Thank you for your answer.

I cannot find somebody in Belgium. I hope somebody answers because i don't know how to find an adress. I am so scared this time. My torture is going on for years, but never tought about the implants.

F

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 08, 2013

Do not worry, someone will see your post and give you information. I think there are several members in this group that live in Europe too. I know you are suffering and that the dentist was cruel to you, but do not give up. The closer you are to answers, the harder the wait. You found this group and that is a good thing. Some people run their errands on Saturday and Sunday in the US and will probably be here later in the day. I am going to try to contact someone who may be able to help you. It is an old email address I have for them, but I will see what I can do.

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[franco38](#) Oct 08, 2013

Really thank you, it's a gift, i am suffering for so long. I am 32 years old and lost alot of years. I am very scared for the procedure and the outcome.

I pray for everybody who helps me, i never tought the implants were giving me such horrible life.

F.

Really thank you.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 08, 2013

Franco,

We have all been where you are. It is a horrible state of affairs when the medical community, who is supposed to be helping people, are making them sick and then ridicules them for it. You are not alone. And when you get through this you will be helping others too. Hold strong.

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[terrybrown112](#) Oct 08, 2013

I sent you a private message. there is hope!

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 08, 2013

My husband just had to have a pacemaker implanted. When I questioned the rep about what metals are used in the unit, she gave me the usual line about no one being allergic to titanium or if they are taking benadryl will solve any problems concerning that. I of course went into my own experience and benadryl isn't a solution, and told her that she should tell her bosses that this is very much a concern and that they can scoop up additional business by eliminating any metal in the product. I think we all should, at any opportunity, explain our position on this. If they think that there is profit to be had, they just may come around.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 09, 2013

I'm sorry for all of your suffering. I read about a dental clinic online called the Munro-Hall in England which helps people with detoxification from dental metals and cavitations.

I had a titanium implant in 2009 and have managed a partial recovery despite having the bugger still lodged in my jaw. My problems were also due to a small amount of toxic mold and the swine flu vaccine. If you can get yourself to an infrared sauna and start taking high doses of buffered vitamin C and glutathione that might help you. The mold is another issue the docs are in the dark about as well. It is another slow poison causing muscle aches, sinus issues, cystitis and sleep problems. A lab in the states called real time labs can test your urine for toxic mold exposure.

After the implant an adjacent tooth and some bone had to be removed on me, resulting in a slight difference in facial appearance which most people don't notice. When the implant comes out no doubt it will be more noticeable but I plan on getting an excellent prosthodontist to make me a partial. I am just tired of all the sensitivities.

I hope you get some help soon!

It was three years before I found an environmental medicine m.d. who recognized the type of toxicity I had from the mold! If I had listened to the m.d.s and unhelpful dentists in the beginning I would not have made any recovery. Just keep trying. It is a matter of finding the right help.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 09, 2013

Hi B4SuzieQ, I have a friend with a cervical implant due her neck being broken in a car accident many years ago. It may be more like a rod used to stabilize the spine. She has chronic fatigue and fibromyalgia. Her life isn't easy.

Was your cervical implant much more like a screw vs. a large rod in the spine?

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[jodiett](#) Oct 09, 2013

I know a guy in London who might possibly help, I'll message you.

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[franco38](#) Oct 09, 2013

Thank you all for the advice !! It means alot to me.

The only question that still remains is ... would it be possible to remove them under local anaesthesia ?

I hope we can share eachother experencie about this huge problem.

Kind regards

franco83

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[jodiett](#) Oct 09, 2013

See Terry Brown's message on Oct 4th, she had hers out with Novocaine..(local anaesthetic) ;)

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[smileynow](#) Oct 09, 2013

It is possible to remove the implants with local anesthetic. You need to find a practitioner comfortable with doing it that way. I am in the same boat as you as far as knowing the i.v sedation would not be good for me. Severe sleep apnea and multiple drug allergies and sensitivities. Many of the dentists who only will do it with you sedated are doing it for their own convenience and comfort as well as any benefit to you, which may be negligible.

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[anitalouise](#) Oct 10, 2013

Thank you all for your posts. I had a titanium implant four days ago done by a competent Oral Surgeon. While the implant was being inserted, my body responded briefly with muscle spasms in my upper abdomen/chest area. Driving home, I felt foggy, even though the procedure went smoothly and I had only been given novocaine. Immediately I had severe headaches, and became so physically weakened, that I have been bedridden all week. I'm typing this from bed. My immune system was badly compromised 20 years ago when I had Lyme Disease. In speaking with the Surgeon's office today, they said that this is not the normal response to the implant. It should be easier than an extraction. After reading all of your experiences, there is no doubt in my mind that when I see the Surgeon on Monday, I will tell him that I want it removed. "listen to the wisdom of your body" is advice I've taken before, however it is much easier to put it all in perspective after reading your comments. I'll re-post after having it removed.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 10, 2013

Hi Smiley,

Sorry this took such a long time to respond, but Medhelp had a glitch in their system, but now it is fixed. Thanks Terry and Medhelp.

To answer your question my implant was a plate and screws. I too was very ill. The removal of the plate and screws did wonders for me. Maybe she should contact a surgeon who does revisions and get another opinion. Some of the labs that run the Melisa testing have information as to which docs in an area that may be helpful. I will pray for her.

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[jodiett](#) Oct 11, 2013

Do any of you guys have research links on the long term osseointegration of zirconium implants? I have had local dentists who've done implants for 20 years + London specialists all telling me they don't integrate with bone and are not strong enough. I think my London guy will do it if I can find some good research tho.

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[terrybrown112](#) Oct 11, 2013

<http://www.westonaprice.org/dentistry/dental-implants-an-integrative-perspective>

Great article!!

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[jodiett](#) Oct 12, 2013

Ah think I picked up that page before, it is a good one. But don't think these guys will be convinced by anything less than a 10 year study. Maybe I need to look at zirconium used in hip replacements, they must be longer term studies. Terry did your dentist tell you how long he expected your zirconium implants to last? Are they on molars or front teeth?

Cheers :)

Jodie

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[terrybrown112](#) Oct 12, 2013

Jodi, this is new territory, dangerous titanium and Zirconium implants. There is not much research. I am gonna assume much of the dental opinion on Zirconium is put out there by the makers of titanium implants. It is my understanding the zirconium has been used for over 20 years in Europe then was FDA approved over here a few years ago. I feel very confident with mine. If you are not confident with your dentist, I would look for another. I have an implant on the front and one in the back. My surgeon and dentist expect them to last forever. Reading all of these stories on here should convince you that getting titanium implants would be playing russian roulette!

Here is an interesting bit of info i learned...when titatium implants were being tested they failed 100 percent of the time. So they coated them. Then they did not fail. So to me that says cover up the posion and its ok. Maybe us with more sesitive systems register that covered up toxin and thats why we got sick.

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[anitalouise](#) Oct 13, 2013

I previously posted that I've been in bed for an entire week after having a titanium post implanted Monday, Oct. 07, 2013. Fatigue, headaches, and "fuzziness" in thinking are my post implant symptoms. Returned to the Surgeon on Friday, Oct. 11. He believes that my body is not rejecting the titanium, because the area around the implant would be red, and my lymph glands would be swollen. He feels that because my immune system is compromised from having had Lyme Disease, it is taking my body longer to adapt. I am still in bed with total fatigue, on Sunday morning. I'll go back to see him tomorrow. He told me to stop taking the Amoxicillin, as it can sometimes cause problems. Would like to know the truth as to why I am non functional. More to be revealed from AnitaLouise.

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[jodiett](#) Oct 13, 2013

hmm.. interesting. I think my London spec is pretty good, he's one of he best qualified in the country & a senior lecturer at London Uni; was also involved in the original research & testing of zirconia implants here. It was he who recommended I get my mercury amalgams removed which helped massively with MCS so not like he can't go against received wisdom. But he's not perfect - for instance he insists on massive doses of antibiotics (which i cant tolerate at all) when placing implants. No one else I know does that!



He says until someone comes up with solid double blind studies he can't recommend zirconia. I have found a dentist 10 miles away who will do them tho.. what a bloody fight this all is ..!

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[anitalouise](#) Oct 13, 2013

Serbin

Could you post the Surgeons name from Philadelphia who helped you?

I'm new to blogs and this sort of thing. If you could send it to my e mail which is \*\*\*@\*\*\*\*, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks,

Anita

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[terrybrown112](#) Oct 13, 2013

Jodiet you could always do a bridge. I just think after reading everyone's experience here you see you would be taking a risk with titanium. I have been in touch with many that have similar stories but have not posted here. Granted many people seem to do ok with titanium, but after all I have learned I believe they are a stress on everyone's system and symptoms may be so mild or unrelated that no one makes the connection.

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[terrybrown112](#) Oct 13, 2013

will your surgeon put in Zirconium if you ask, even if he feels its not the best choice?

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[jodieltt](#) Oct 14, 2013

I can't do a bridge, I have root canalled teeth right next to the extracted ones. Yup reckon the reason why dentists think there's almost zero probs with titanim is cos they're only counting obvious local inflammation & positive IGE allergy tests. But this is obviously so much more than that and many ppl will never make the connection between generalised health issues and their implants.. so it never get diagnosed & the info never gets

back to the dentists.

I don't think my London dentist has ever done zirconium implants apart from the original testing, & I don't know if that was even human trials; plus he costs about 1/3 more than the local guy .. I've spent about £3500 on dentistry this year, ironically having all those huge amalgams out 8 yrs ago has left me with a lot of weakened teeth..(at this rate I won't have to worry about tooths cos I won't be able to afford to eat ;) )

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[WendyB87](#) Oct 14, 2013

Hi Jodiett,

Sorry I've been out of the loop due to a heavy workload and have been following the posts this week. I just gave my dentists info to Terry who will pass it on to you. He practices in Europe and the US. He removed a titanium implant and after I healed, replaced it with zirconium. It's been four months for me and so far, so good. My titanium implant poisoned me even though I didn't have an allergic reaction to it. My ANA was off the charts though, and my symptoms were unbearable. I have a lot of sensitivities, but I could never recommend it to anyone. Also, I've heard that titanium messes with the energy flowing through your meridians, while zirconium (a ceramic) does not. Good luck to you.

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[terrybrown112](#) Oct 14, 2013

It's Franco Wendy :)

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[PamHillman](#) Oct 14, 2013

What are you doing in place of the titanium? -Pam

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[anitalouise](#) Oct 14, 2013

I had my implant done one week ago today. I've been in bed every minute since the implant, totally fatigued, headaches. Today my surgeon informed me that he believes my symptoms are a result of the amoxicillin (which I stopped taking last Thursday). I read all of your experiences, and my symptoms are absolutely identical to the bulk of your comments. Tonight I googled "adverse reactions to amoxicillin", and though there were literally

hundreds, not once did I see fatigue listed!! I am giving this one more week. The surgeon is convinced that I'll be back to "normal" in two weeks. I intend to ask him if he does the ceramic implant. If one week from now I still feel this depleted (headaches are lessening), the titanium is coming out. So grateful for everyones comments.

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[jodiett](#) Oct 15, 2013

I'd be interested if he's in the UK, just cos someone experienced in putting in zirconium implants here is rare as hen's teeth! btw you can send private messages here if you don't have email addies .. :-)

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[jodiett](#) Oct 15, 2013

Anita, I get absolutely floored by amoxicillin, & certainly a-b's can make you exhausted.. everyone in my family gets that exhaustion with a-b's , but you should be over it fairly quickly once you've stopped them.

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[anitalouise](#) Oct 15, 2013

Thanks for this, Jodiett. You are the first/only person to provide this sort of feedback on amoxicillin. I've taken it so many times over my lifetime, it made no sense that now it would cause a problem. I've been off the amoxicillin for 4 days. I'm now encouraged with your note that perhaps I'll begin to recover!

Thank you again

Anita

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[jodiett](#) Oct 16, 2013

ah, well if you've taken it lots of times before without a problem I guess it's possible the implant is making your reactions worse. After I had my amalgams removed my reactions to many things went right down, conversely if I had them put back in my reactions would go back up.

Also different brands make a difference with me. I've taken amoxicillin for a whole week before now with just

the usual symptoms (stomach probs, fatigue, headache) but with a different brand I was so sick by day 3 it felt like my whole body was going to explode, I had to stop.

Different foods can react badly with antibiotics too, I seem to remember grapefruit was one..

Wait and watch.. you should be feeling the effects wearing off somewhat around now..at least that was my experience.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 18, 2013

Since the implant I have numbness and tingling and a feverish feeling whenever I take antibiotics. Also pain around the implant. I think a fungal colonization in the sinus above the implant takes hold whenever I take antibiotics now. I can only stand antibiotics if I take an antifungal at the same time. Especially bad is doxycycline. If I remember Terrybrown has trouble with antibiotics since the implant, too. I don't know if she is still like that since she replaced her titanium implant with a zirconia.

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[jodielt](#) Oct 18, 2013

I know there is a connection between fungal infections and mercury, it was well known at the college I worked at where they trained Nutrition students to degree level. I have candida but it went right down to about 1/3 of what it was (its a skin prob so I could see it the difference) within weeks of having my amalgams removed. Possible there's a connection between other metals and fungal infections..

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 18, 2013

I think you are correct on your fungal theory. I had a C5-6 anterior cervical discectomy in 2010 and within 7 - 8 months I had a sinus infection that wouldn't go away. Long story short, I had a fungal ball form on an old incision in my sinuses from pituitary surgery. After I had the fungal ball removed I did a better. And then had the metal plate removed it helped even more. I think fungal infections are a lot of the blame for ill health.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 18, 2013

What anti-fungal do you take, if I may ask?

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[jodiett](#) Oct 19, 2013

I use Lamisil cream. I tried a couple of oral meds: Diflucan & Capryllic Acid (that one's herbal) and had severe reactions to both of them, so I'm stuck with topical creams for now.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 19, 2013

Thanks for the answer. My rashes are almost 90% gone since I had the metal removed from my neck, but I am sure the fungus is still inside. It will rear its ugly little self from time to time because the metal did leach into my bones. (BTW I used amber listerine to get rid of the skin rashes in the past and it worked pretty good.) I am using other things to try to get rid of it inside, including taking garlic pills and eating yogurt.

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[WendyB87](#) Oct 19, 2013

The fungal connection is very interesting. I started to feel poorly about 20 years ago after taking several rounds of strong antibiotics. I told my doctor about it and she said that sometimes people get sick and never get better! How's that for lack of insight? I believe that poor intestinal flora and a systemic fungal condition weakened my immune system by emitting its own toxins into my bloodstream so that I became very sensitive to chemicals and then, the titanium implants and associated dental metals. After getting my implants removed detoxed and followed the Body Ecology Diet which is all about repairing your intestinal flora. I had a fungal spot on my toenail that had been there for over a year and it slowly disappeared but I also had improved energy and could even tolerate the smell of perfume again. Then, four more rounds of antibiotics. I'm still following the diet but haven't detoxed again. I feel better than I did in the past for sure, but think a detox and some oral antifungals would make me feel even better. However fungal issues play their part, I definitely think there's a connection.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 19, 2013

I wonder if this is the missing part to those who have never quite recovered after their implants had been removed? It would definitely be worth anyone else chiming in too if they see their selves here. As I continue to try to rebalance my body, I will be more than glad to share my experiences.

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[anitalouise](#) Oct 19, 2013

Thank you again for your helpful comments. Jodiett, you were correct when you said right about now I should be feeling better. I got out of bed on Thursday, Oct. 17, and feel so much better. I am determined to do research regarding antibiotics and a weakened immune system when receiving dental implants. Don't know if any of you came across the article on \*\*\*\* Van Dyke, the actor, who had implants done SEVEN years ago, has had headaches and fatigue ever since, and only now figured out that the dental implants were the cause. Even though I am feeling better, I must decide whether or not to keep the titanium in my mouth, which also has gold crowns and amalgams, and whether I should ever take amoxicillin again. Jodiett, it was interesting to learn that different brands of amoxicillin can produce different results. This is all complex. And now I'm reading about fungal infections. Yikes!

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 19, 2013

If I were you, I would have some metal testing done, if you haven't done so already. At least you will have something to go on.

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[jodiett](#) Oct 20, 2013

Yeh no harm to that, except to your wallet. But testing only turns up results for certain types of reaction, which might not include yours. I've been tested to death, the only thing that showed up was IGE reaction to nickel, & 3x too much mercury in my system. That last result was what prompted me to spend a lot of cash having my metal amalgams removed. I had tried so many things to try and get well, I was at my wits' end. Luckily that made a big difference, tho I am paying for it now with a lot of weakened teeth!

Anitalouise, re the different brands making a difference, this is just my best guess. On the face of it that's what appeared to happen. It has definitely happened before (even tho its not supposed to ) with for instance anti histamines, I could repeat that testing several times - the generic version makes me ill and the brand version doesn't!

I also have this theory that as a 5ft3" 140lb gal I should not be taking the same dose as a 6ft6" man twice my weight - makes no sense. so a couple of months ago I tested an antibiotic on 1/3 dose which is what's recommended for elderly/ ppl with liver/kidney probs, I got thru to day 6 before before weird symptoms kicked in.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 20, 2013

I did the melisa testing before and after the "titanium" implant was removed. It showed up with a severe allergy to nickel, gold and molybdenum while the implant was still in me. After the metal was removed all three went down into the normal levels. I asked the doctor at the lab why, because if they had run the tests prior it would have shown no reaction to any. She said that all three tested after the implant removal the results were in a grey area that would indicate a possible allergy and it would be recommended not to have the implant.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 21, 2013

Re: antifungals. I use Ketoconazole nasal spray as well as Amphotericin B nasal spray to help with the nasal swelling and rhinitis. Prior to the antifungals I had a box of nasal steroid and antihistamine sprays that basically did nothing to help with the rhinitis. Occassionally I will take oral Ketoconazole if the problems exacerbate.

Years of antibiotic use for bladder and sinus issues in actuality made the ongoing symptoms worse. Environmental toxins somehow also exacerbate the systemic fungal problems.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 21, 2013

Yes, this has been a question regarding people who remove the implants and make no improvement. The last post more than two years ago by Bertin76 lamented that the "toxic titanium implants" had ruined his health, and that he was not improving in spite of the implant removal. I sent him a message regarding improvement with detoxification measures and asked if environmental or systemic issues with mold or fungus could be contributing to his troubles, but never heard again from him.

With the mold a certain percentage of people will not improve by simply changing environments, they need help with the detoxification process. Maybe it is the same with the metal, and then you have the synergistic effect of the two.

Read about the risk of cancer increasing with long term antibiotic usage, and then ask yourself if the theory of cancer being a fungus is so far off.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 21, 2013

Bio-K probiotics were recommended by an environmental medicine specialist. You can find them in the cooler at Whole Foods.

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[jodiett](#) Oct 21, 2013

So you would have been recommended not to have a titanium implant based on a "possible allergy" to gold, nickel & molybdenum? that seems odd unless there's a known cross-reaction /or they expect these metals to turn up in a titanium implant. Did they explain why they would not have recommended titanium? I have a Melisa test from 6 yrs ago, that had nickel as a positive & molybdenum was a little high, think I need to go back & recheck those for "grey areas" now!

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 21, 2013

Thanks for the info. I am not familiar with Ketoconazole nasal spray, is it over the counter and if so, what brand do you purchase?

I personally think people who are already sick and tired and they read that they have to go through a detox, just don't have the energy to do so. With me I am having to take baby steps in changing my evil ways. By doing it in smaller steps it just doesn't feel as unobtainable.

I do not have a Whole Food store close to me, but if I ever happen by one, I will be stopping in. The grocery store I go to around here has a cooler in the vitamin section, I may check it out. Do you still take them? If not how long did you take them for? Right now I am getting some probiotics from my chiropractor which seems to help. FYI since I buy them from the chiropractor, my insurance pays for about 1/2. In fact when I did still have the implant I noticed that those probiotics from him were about the only thing that gave me some relief.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 21, 2013

Titanium implants are not 100% titanium. Titanium is too soft to go it alone, so they are manufactured with other materials, and nickel is commonly used as one of those metals.

I knew I was allergic to metals prior to my neck surgery and I told my doc that. He told me that no one is allergic and that it was 100% titanium too. I was in so much pain I was unable to do any research on the subject either and the problem had to be dealt with quickly. If I had been able to do the research I would have gone an entirely different route.

My Melisa test that was run after the metal was out, did not go out of range for any of those metals. It was just



in the top half of the chart. Not only did it make me extremely ill, it also did a lot of damage to the dental work in my mouth.

I think there needs to be more research and improving on these metal tests.

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[jodiett](#) Oct 21, 2013

Jeez that is shocking, esp since they were putting it into your neck, much harder to remove without damage.

I checked my Melisa test from 2006 and it has me as 'positive' to Nickel, Molybdenum and Palladium, I also got "toxic" results to 6 others including aluminium, tho they were a bit vague as to what "toxic" meant.

I emailed the 3 main suppliers of implants and asked for info, this is what came back, in case anyone's interested.

Straumann:

"In general, Straumann implants, abutments, closure screws and healing caps are made of titanium implant quality grade 4. Some of the base or occlusal screws and synOcta abutments are manufactured from a titanium-aluminium-niobium alloy containing 90% titanium. Straumann ROXOLIO implants are made from a titanium-zirconium alloy containing 85% titanium. There is no nickel, cobalt or any other metals added to these materials, and only trace amounts thereof are present."

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NobelBio:

#### COLD WORKED TITANIUM USED FOR IMPLANTS

Surgical grade cp titanium based on ASTM F67

Composition in wt%

(following numbers prefixed by a squiggle which I'm told means less than or equal to)

Nitrogen 0.03%

Carbon 0.08%

Hydrogen 0.015%

Iron 0.20%Oxygen 0.40%

Titanium = balance.

For comparison: Grade 4 titanium according to ASTM F67-06

(again with less than or equal to prefixes)

Composition in wt%

Nitrogen 0.05%

Carbon 0.08%

Hydrogen 0.015%

Oxygen 0.40%

Titanium = balance

Titanium alloy used for temporary & final abutments

Surgical grade titanium alloy Ti-6Al-4V ELI according to ASTM 136

Composition in wt%  
Aluminium 5.5-6.5%  
Vanadium 3.5-4.5%  
Nitrogen less than or equal to 0.05%  
Carbon less than or equal to 0.08%  
Hydrogen less than or equal 0.012%  
Iron less than or equal to 0.25%  
Oxygen less than or equal 0.13%  
Titanium = balance

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Biohorizons:

"Thank you for the inquiry. The make up of our titanium alloy implants and prosthetic components is 90% titanium, 6% aluminum and 4% vanadium. There is no trace of nickel in our devices."

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[WendyB87](#) Oct 21, 2013

I just have to comment on the fact that you told your doctor you were allergic to metals. I also told my oral surgeon that I had a bad response to metals since x-rays revealed that I hadn't healed in 10 years when I had a piece of metal put in my chin for an apicoectomy (they put it at the end of my tooth's root after a root canal abscessed). I also had a dull pain in that spot for ten years and it took 10 years for a dentist to finally listen to me to address it! I was in grad school at the time and didn't have time for research either. I'm just so annoyed at the ignorance and blithe attitude on the part of dentists though. If someone says that their allergic to metal, shouldn't bells be going off? Anyway, sorry, just had to vent about that. I also had MELISA testing before getting my implants out. My score only went above 3 on one metal, which I can't remember, and yet I was soooo sick. The metals can be toxic to you even if you aren't allergic to them. The person in charge of testing in the NJ lab (Dr. Valentine-Thon) even warned me about this before I had the test done but I did the test anyway, twice actually because the first test results were lost in a hurricane we had on the east coast. Imho, I don't think you should rely on the results to take action. I had my implants out and after detoxing, I'm better again.

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[jodiett](#) Oct 21, 2013

"I'm just so annoyed at the ignorance and blithe attitude on the part of dentists though..."

Exactly! what is it about that profession? I don't get this from other medics but it appears to be endemic with dentists. I have time/ reasonable intelligence and a bit of spare cash, so I have the wherewithal to bash away at this, and I have actually made them look like bozos a few times, but lord help anyone who doesn't have time ( that includes most people). They remind me of plumbers or something .. laying forth with an air of total authority that its essential you have this or that procedure and anyone (including your previous dentist) who says otherwise is an idiot .! Dentists will diss each other in way I have never come across with other medics, somehow they've got stuck in their own cosy little world and been allowed to get too arrogant. Here in the UK

we have state dentists with a 1950's attitude ( you do as you're told or bog off) or the private sector where they seem to be 80% salesman, 20% dentist & charge eyewatering amounts. I'm hopping crazily between them, trying to get my own needs looked after w/out bankrupting us, in a section of the medical professional that seems only to be interested in looking after itself.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 21, 2013

I told that doctor twice prior to my surgery that I had a metal allergy. I explained to him that I didn't even wear jewelry because of it. I do not even wear a watch and I pointed to the watch that I attach to my purse. He just lied, straight out. It is very upsetting to me to the point I no longer place trust in my physicians because of this. He even lied to me about the brand of implant he was going to use, instead of using the one he said, he used a no name company that no telling where they get their implants from.

The sad thing is that even a year after this implant was removed I am still having medical and dental difficulties that came up because of it and I have spent a fortune on all of it.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 21, 2013

Do you not know which company made your implant? Is there any way you can find that out? As with my case my doc used a tiny company and there is no telling where that implant came from. I did find out there was nickel in my implant, which nickel is a base metal in fashion jewelry.

It is just insane that patients can have their lives ruined because of these doctors' egos.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 22, 2013

I get the ketoconazole nasal spray from a compounding pharmacy in Seattle, WA--I think Key Compounding. I was thinking though, that in a pinch someone could mash up a ketoconazole tablet between two spoons and put it into their sinus irrigation or buy a spray or diffuser bottle and get it up in the nose that way.

You are right about being sick and tired and feeling like it is all just too much to deal with--probably why I haven't traveled out of state to have the implant removed. That, & the implant isn't causing pain in the jaw unless I take antibiotics or am in an environmentally contaminated area.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 22, 2013

That is a horrid story about not being told the truth re: the origins of a material implanted into YOUR body. That professional should lose his license or at the least be repimanded by the medical board.

The problem with the dental and medical professions as a whole is that their rules and regulations are set with the foremost idea of protecting themselves versus the public they proclaim to serve. They really have to be careful about damaging the reputation of another practitioner as that is something they can be sued for.

Most of the help I've received so far are from practitioners who dare think for themselves.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 22, 2013

Thank you to whoever mentioned \*\*\*\* Van Dyke and his trouble with the dental implants. There was a poster in the beginning (brokenjaw) who had a pulsing in his head due to titanium plates and screws in his jaw. I wonder what happened to him...

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[jodiett](#) Oct 22, 2013

Hi Suzie, I only have a small test screw in atm, I'm keeping it in for 6 mo's before deciding what to do. If can tolerate that , then that's useful info for future poss surgery as well as implants, as long as I contact the mfr first and ensure that there is nothing more than titanium in the metal. I am testing grade 4 titanium, the next generation of grade 5 is (according to my local dentist) causing more allergies than grade 4! don't know what they've added to it, but this stuff changes from one year to the next, it seems. Anyone thinking of using titanium, ask the mfr for a spec sheet first on exactly what these guys are putting into you.

3 months so far & I seem to be ok. But boy I had to fight to get taken seriously! It was my specialist who came up with the idea of a small test screw. Even tho I use titanium powder to make my own sunscreen (I cant tolerate commercial brands) it's not the same as having something embedded in your jaw 24/7.

I made sure I knew what type it was before it went in, it's NobelBio. I am losing lower molars and have to replace with something.. dentures seem to not work well on lower molars, and are made of artificial chemicals which give me a bad time.

From my info, even with good brands, the abutments can be more of a mix of metals than the implants, so presumeably more of a potential problem, but my specialist says he can do titanium only or zirconium only abutments. I'll be contacting NobelBio to double check that.!

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[jodiett](#) Oct 22, 2013

I also get a lot of sinus infections, I use a neti pot with boiled water & sea salt; it works very well tho not as convenient as a spray as you have to bend 45deg over the bath or loo, head down & pour salty water in.. goes in one side, out the other and rinses your sinuses en route. Very effective, painless, very cheap, but not very glamorous :-D There are videos on youtube showing how to do it, if anyone's interested.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Oct 22, 2013

I think the test screw is a good idea, however later it may cause problems. I had a titanium marker put in about 10 years ago and had no problem at all with it, then later after the titanium implant was done it all came crashing down. About a year after the implant was done I started to have all kinds of problems with my teeth again. After the implant was removed, I had to have two surgeries, a bridge and several replacement crowns.

Why not think about Zirconium-Oxide? You can be tested for that too.

The dentist I use did a lot of research for me and the product he uses is FiberMaster (Root Post) by New Technology Industries for posts. I haven't had to have a post placed yet, but we did the research prior in case I had to use them. Also he makes his own crowns and uses Identceram. He doesn't do bridges, but he has a lab that uses the same for those.

My dentist takes my metal allergies seriously and frankly I appreciate all the work he did prior to working on me.

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[jodiett](#) Oct 22, 2013

Hi Suzie, I wonder if your original titanium marker was 'good stuff' and the implant sounded like it could have been a rubbishy, since the guy even lied to you about the brand he was using. Might that be the reason for your different experiences?

I am hoping to have zirconium implant for one missing molar (I have two I need to replace) but they are 50% more expensive and the few dentists who put them in here don't have vast experience with them.

Re 'posts', I think you need to put those in before teeth are root canalled or extracted?? Is that right? I have one tooth I rescued this year with a zirconium post & crown, supposed to last 20 years. It cost as much as an implant, but if it lasts 20 years, well probably an implant will only last that long anyway.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 23, 2013

Yes, been irrigating for years--I used to use an apparatus that you could attach to a waterpik and pulse the water through your nose. Now I just use a bottle and pre-mixed packages from Neilmed.

The frustrating thing is I told the periodontist I had sinus issues, was using nasal steroids (this eventually thins the sinus membrane), & was irrigating 2x/day. Since then I've read it is not a good idea to do a lift on someone with pre-existing sinus issues. At the very least he should have done a scan or taken some precaution so as not to drill into the sinus as he did!

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[jodiett](#) Oct 23, 2013

Shocking! did you get some redress from that dude? we need to shake these guys up!! I'm managing to do that at this end, local dentist looks scared when I walk in these days lol..& my specialist seems at least to listen & learn.

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[smileynow](#) Oct 24, 2013

I like your English humor. Redress in the Wild West. Ha! The practitioner who put the implant in and did the sinus lift is one of the most popular and competent? in this area of 500,000. They stick together like figgy pudding. I've been referred to as an interesting "case" on files and told to "accept my condition", whatever that is. The precaution to be taken regarding the steroid use and pre-existing sinus issues is something I found on my own.

To be fair, the environmental medicine specialist was hopeful I would become less reactive to the titanium after recovering from the mold exposure. Despite still having the screw lodged in my jaw I have made a huge improvement with detoxification methods. I would probably get the most help from an oral surgeon or dentist who actually believes that these implants are not the greatest thing since peanut butter, and would have to travel out of state for that.

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[jodiett](#) Oct 24, 2013

How interesting.. they diss each other at the drop of a hat over here! However they can be just as dismissive of their patients too...just in more polite fashion (at least to our faces lol)

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[smileynow](#) Oct 26, 2013

Professional organizations such as the AMA and ADA have bylaws that prohibit disparaging the reputation of another practitioner, less they invite a lawsuit upon themselves. They tread very gingerly when discussing anything done by another of their profession. This has the effect of limiting the amount of honest information you get when you pusue a second opinion, as well as to protect themselves from lawsuits.

Seems a conflict of interest to me. How are you supposed to get an honest and unbiased assessment when they are beholden to each other like this?

Two of the ENT docs I consulted regarding the sinus inflammation atop the implant did seem disturbed about the dental profession and their mishaps with the sinus cavity. One told the referring oral surgeon to remove the implant and the oral surgeon still wouldn't do it, as he was concerned I might be worse off for it.

Our countrys' motto is "The land of the free and the home of the brave", but in medicine it is "don't rock the boat", I'm afraid.

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[jodiett](#) Oct 26, 2013

I used to follow <http://www.osseonews.com/> ( you can ask dentists questions there) and now that i think of it the worry about getting into trouble with fellow professionals did come up. Seems the AMA /DMA may be the culprits here - I would write / email them & ask that exact same question re conflict of interest ..& post their answer here !! If enough ppl here pick it up maybe you can push to change things.?

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[takeitout](#) Oct 28, 2013

hi wendy who removed your implant and what method , was there bone loss? im looking to remove a titanium dental implant asap.. in London.. thanks

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[takeitout](#) Oct 28, 2013

i had melisa and molybdenum was high, after doing some investigating turned out the crown of the implant contained molybdenum... i had it removed and the aching in my jaw has reduced but i still suffer from some anxiety/panic, and general lethargy....

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[jodiett](#) Oct 29, 2013

Wow. What kind of crown did they tell you it was?

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[jodiett](#) Oct 29, 2013

BTW my specialist is in London & is an oral surgeon, I found him at the Eastman Institute which is the dentistry section of UCL, he's on the teaching staff as well as a practising dentist / oral surgeon, UCL's a good place to start looking. I recommended him to someone else, just messaged that guy to see how he got on..

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[jim373](#) Nov 09, 2013

hi jodiet. Wonder if you could pass your London specialist's details on to me?

I had an Ti implant about 6 months ago and my whole life has completely fallen apart. Symptoms very similar to those described by takeitout in early October, plus more. I am now a total physical and mental wreck and quite suicidally depressed by it all. .. Dentists and doctors all insist it cannot be the implant, but I was completely healthy and well beforehand. I need to get this thing removed. Can you please help?

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[WendyB87](#) Nov 10, 2013



Hi Takeitout,

Sorry for the delay. I haven't been on the site in a little while. I believe my dentist slowly drilled around the implants and took them out piece by piece. They were in the lower front, small and quite stubborn. I did lose some bone although am still so grateful the implants are out since they were killing me. My dentist has since purchased a unit that zaps an electrical impulse around the implant and which is supposed to create a pocket of necrotic bone around it so that it comes out easily. He just got the device though so I can't report on success rates yet. He practices in New York, New Jersey, and Bulgaria. If you'd like to talk to him I can give you his info. Whatever you decide to do I wish you like and hope you get the implants out soon!!!

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[jodiett](#) Nov 11, 2013

Jim, hope u got the message I sent. I left one on this thread too but it seems not to have turned up!

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[anitalouise](#) Nov 13, 2013

Just checking in to say that I met with my internist as well as the Oral Surgeon. (I had been bedridden three weeks post implant decimated completely). My internist feels certain that my response was a result of my weakened immune system from having had a serious case of Lyme Disease years ago. The oral surgeon felt that was a reasonable explanation, although truthfully, he seemed not to want to pursue the subject once I felt better. I asked his opinion of the ceramic implants. He will not do them, as he says they are susceptible to breaking, especially if there is any curve in the root. He is one of the best implant surgeons in my geographical area (Philadelphia Pa), and is technically excellent. Though I don't feel the need to have them removed now, I would be loathe to ever have titanium placed in my body again!!! The one "thread" which has been mentioned by several of us, myself included, is that we have mentioned to the surgeons ahead of time that we are allergic to metal or in my case had a severely compromised immune system. It is incomprehensible to me that the dentists seem not to take these risk factors seriously (or whatever), so it is a "buyer beware" situation for us in the future before having procedures. Anita louise nov. 13 2013

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[smileynow](#) Nov 14, 2013

Definitely buyer beware!

I had a long list of allergies/sensitivies, chronic sinus trouble with nasal steroid use, & sleep apnea. Prior to submitting to this dubious procedure I consulted with an oral surgeon & two periodontists, who were not concerned with such pre-existing issues in regard to the sinus lift, bone graft & metal implant. Yeehaw let's git r' done was the consensus.

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[AbsoluteBeginner](#) Nov 14, 2013

Hello, I need a really quick advice on cements, if you have researched them. My doctor is sympathetic and he removed the implant already, however an inlay had to be done.

I am checking cements myself and he offered me choice between Variolink (by Ivoclar) and Choice 2 by Bisco. I can't find their composition, though, and still don't know if they contain titanium oxide. Has anyone researched cements? It would be extremely helpful!

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[AbsoluteBeginner](#) Nov 14, 2013

An additional note to the previous post, in case anyone else is also interested in avoiding titanium dioxide in dental cements.

Variolink by the company Ivoclar contains titanium dioxide; here is the source, page 7 & 8 of the document.

[http://www.ivoclarvivadent.us/zoolu-website/media/document/21456/Variolink+II+\(Base\)+\(Canada+English\)](http://www.ivoclarvivadent.us/zoolu-website/media/document/21456/Variolink+II+(Base)+(Canada+English))

On the website of the company, you can't see the titanium as it is hidden behind the name "spheroid mixed oxide."

I am still researching the other adhesive, Choice 2 by Bisco. It is weird that the exact composition of these materials is not readily available...

Anyway, good luck to everyone. This thread has been very useful for me as I had so many of the symptoms described here and felt so miserable and misunderstood. Big thank you to everyone who shared! I will also find the time soon to post my story & progress.

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[smileynow](#) Nov 15, 2013

There is a blood test offered by Clifford Labs to test for various sensitivities to dental materials. I wonder if they might know how to find the info. you are seeking. The manufacturer should be able to provide you with a materials safety data sheet on their product.

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[jodiett](#) Nov 15, 2013

email the company & ask for the technical info sheet, they have to have one as all this stuff has to be ok'd by various bodies for health & safety reasons. No irony intended ;)

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[smileynow](#) Dec 04, 2013

Those who developed autoimmune issues after their implants may be interested in looking up "metal implant syndrome".

Perhaps this should be included in the list of possible risks of the procedure, although I am sure you would get the line "There is no evidence of such a syndrome". Right.

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 24, 2013

Hi Everyone,

I think a new years goal for me is to start a blog about the dangers of titanium implants. I would like to create a space where people can go to find facts and read others stories quickly and easily.

This has been quite the journey for me and I have met many wonderful people along the way that have suffered and recovered as I have.

I am well and have so much energy these days!

I am still in the process of getting the zirconium implant and crown for my front tooth (long story). While I was at the office of the surgeon that I have been working with he told me a surgeon from Japan is coming over to the US next month to speak to dentists about the dangers of titanium, that he himself learned from his own patients. So progress is being made slowly but surely.

Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a blessed new year!

Terry

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Dec 24, 2013

The blog is a wonderful idea Terry. I am so grateful that the medical community is slowly realizing the torture it has been placing on those of us who are allergic to metals contained in the implants.

Merry Christmas to you too Terry and to those who celebrate our Lord's birth and a prosperous and happy new year to all.

B4SuzieQ

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[smileynow](#) Dec 25, 2013

Wow! That is great. Is the Japanese surgeon speaking to the American Dental Association, or to one of the more progressive groups such as the International Academy of Oral Medicine and Toxicology?

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[joch29](#) Feb 05, 2014

anyone know of dentists and doctors in NY or NJ that has experience in this area that will help? My wife is going through the same problem with her implant.

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[joedonahue3](#) Feb 10, 2014

Hi,

has anyone observed in the context of the titanium implants any blood analysis marker (eosinophilic cationic protien, tryptase, lymphocyte count, IgE) out of range?

thanks

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[WendyB87](#) Feb 11, 2014

My "ana" was "off the charts" before I had my implants removed. Also, I had a strange but related experience. I had handled raw meat and got very sick. My eosinophils were very elevated (at 50). The were so high the doctors thought I had leukemia. While I know that parasites can raise eosinophis, the hematologist didn't think it was due to touching raw meat alone and attributed it to a combination of metal toxicity and parasites. Nothing was definitive... Hope that helps.

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[Bluebird22](#) Feb 22, 2014

I just posted a question about relationship between a cyst above my titanium dental implant (done in 2008) and chronic illness. I am not sure how this site works, but hope to continue following it. I want to get my implant removed with the hope that I will feel better.

My dentist thinks the oral surgeon perforated my sinus when putting in the implant and that is why the cyst formed. The ENT's I have been to don't think the cyst is a problem. But they also can't explain my hearing loss, horrid tinnitus, sensations of heat and bugs crawling in my scalp. My head feels like a battery or a short wave radio being held by pliers.

There is a long history that I will spare you of - as you can read some of it in my other post if you are interested. I will be seeing a new oral surgeon next week to discuss getting my implant removed. I would love to hear from any of you who can related to my symptoms or provide any insights to help me along the way.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Feb 22, 2014

Have you been metal tested?

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[Bluebird22](#) Feb 22, 2014

Yes. I do not have sensitivity to titanium, but I do to nickel, aluminum and silver. There are small parts of these metals in my implant. I had the Clifford testing.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Feb 22, 2014

Titanium is not 100% titanium, it usually has nickel in it as an alloy. I am not allergic to titanium, but to the alloys in it.

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[Bluebird22](#) Feb 22, 2014

It is probably the same case with me. I feel as though there is an infection in that part of my sinus that travels all the way to my eye and ear. I have had it for quite a while. It feels like seltzer in there with many other odd sensations. I am seeing an oral surgeon next week to see what he thinks. My 3-D x-ray is quite telling with the cyst above the implant, which seems to be penetrating into my sinus.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Feb 22, 2014

Bluebird,

I had a cervical spine implant, but during the time I had it I developed a fungal ball in my sinuses. After the doctor surgically removed it, it took a lot of antibiotics and care to make sure it didn't come back. Even after my implant was removed, I had to have extensive dental surgery and work done because the metal in my neck effected my dental work too.

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[Bluebird22](#) Feb 23, 2014

So you developed a fungal ball in your sinuses as a result of a cervical spine implant? Did you develop dental cavitations as a result of the fungal ball? Or were there other types of dental problems you developed? How did you discover this?

I just went through 6 weeks of ozone treatment (ears, nose and painful injections in my jaw, skull and neck trying to kill whatever infection has been brewing in there). The dentist who treated me does not believe I have to worry about dental cavitations any longer, but I think anything is possible after this experience.

My symptoms are now moving to both sides and I am fearful that I am going to lose my hearing all together. It is very frightening. I have a root canaled tooth that I hope to get extracted on the 'good side' as well as the implanted tooth on the side where most of my symptoms have been. I know it is not going to be easy.

Perhaps I need IV antibiotics due to having lyme disease as well. My hunch is that the bacteria have been hiding in this vulnerable spot and the year of oral antibiotics I took were not enough to eradicate it.

I hope others will chime in. I have tried to read through the entire thread and it gets confusing. But there are many similarities in symptoms and history of the implants. Thanks for writing B4SuzieQ.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Feb 23, 2014

I do not know if the fungal ball was a result of the implant, just that it happened during the time the implant was in.

The dental problems I had resulted in the metal that was in the original work reacted when the implant was in. After the implant was removed, I had as much work redone as I possibly could. I use a dentist that doesn't use metal in his bridges and crowns. You can tell the difference where the replacement work has been done vs the work that is still remaining, but cannot remove.

My question is why aren't you having your implant removed? People have them removed and replaced with a non-metal solution and report that they are doing well afterwards.

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[Bluebird22](#) Feb 24, 2014

I AM having the implant removed, as soon as I find a good oral surgeon to do the job. I have an appointment this week to consult with one. I just hope he will be able to remove it without too much difficulty. It was done in 2008 and apparently integrated nicely with the bone, which will make it more difficult to remove. I was writing here, hoping others could chime in about their experiences of having their implants removed to get some guidance and support.

My dentist does not do anymore mercury fillings and is trained to remove them and replace them safely. I have already used him to remove one big silver crown with 2 mercury fillings underneath. It caused my symptoms to worsen for a while, but I eventually got back to my baseline. I am hoping the implant removal will make the biggest difference for me.

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[terrybrown12](#) Feb 24, 2014

Hi, I have had trouble sending you a messag. Please feel free to emai me. terrybrown12 at aol \*\*\*\*\*.

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[WendyB87](#) Feb 25, 2014

I've never had ozone therapy done or looked into cavitations, but I did have two implants removed by a dentist in NJ. They were small and very well integrated. I think each case is different and my implants were a little

stubborn. He worked very carefully to minimize bone loss and did ultimately get them out. He's since replaced them with one zirconium implant. Pretty soon I'll be ready for two zirconium crowns. I've done detoxes and more or less follow the body ecology diet and must say I feel pretty good overall. All of the symptoms are gone from the implants and I even have more energy than I did before I changed my diet. I too took a lot of antibiotics in the past. They play havoc with your system and ruin your intestinal health. The BED has helped me to regain my intestinal health, but when I go off of it (e.g., start eating sugar), I get foggy and start feeling lousy again.

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[Bluebird22](#) Feb 26, 2014

Thanks for writing, Wendy. I'm glad you were able to get your implants removed successfully and you are feeling better with the diet. I am seeing an oral surgeon today to discuss removing the implant. I hope that he has experience with this and he thinks he can help me. I so look forward to some quiet in my head again. I know there are no guarantees, but my head feels like a short wave radio being tuned!

I have been detoxing for quite some time - having been treating lyme and heavy levels of mercury and arsenic found with testing. I am sure I will need to continue this. Diet and probiotics will always be an important part of my life. I will continue to do whatever it takes to get my old body and life back!

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[WendyB87](#) Feb 26, 2014

It sounds like you're on top of it and know what you're doing. You WILL feel better! If the oral surgeon you go to won't do it, look for another one! I went to one other person before I found someone who understood the dangers of titanium implants and had some experience removing them. Overall, I think that removing them is a new procedure for dentists but more and more dentists seem to be learning about it. My head felt so so spacy before I had the implants out. Good luck and keep us posted. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask!

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[Bluebird22](#) Feb 27, 2014

Well - I had my visit with the oral surgeon and he told me the implant looks perfectly fine and he would not touch it. He said I could do more damage than good if it were removed and he thinks my symptoms are neurological symptoms of Lyme disease. Also mentioned that I have arthritis in my TMJ bones and a mouth guard might help. UGH.

I will keep doing more research and try to get another opinion. There was an oral surgeon in Philadelphia mentioned earlier on this thread that I will look up and consider going to see. It would be about a 6 or 7 hour



drive for me. Please PM me, if anyone knows of any oral surgeons in New England who are experienced in removing intact dental implants, I would be ever so grateful.

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[WendyB87](#) Feb 27, 2014

So sorry you had that experience. When I was looking to have mine removed I visited an oral surgeon who specialized in zirconium, who said the same thing to me. He said I might lose the tooth next to it and do a lot of damage. My dentist (at the time! ) told me that implants were permanent. He also had a host of reasons to explain my symptoms as did a few doctors. Don't give up! One of the reasons I decided to have my implant removed by a particular dentist was that he was in total agreement with me. He said he understood and that's what he did! No scary stories. I did lose a some bone but I can live it, and I didn't lose the tooth next to the implant site like the oral surgeon warned. I could not have gone on living the way I was and I am better now!

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[smileynow](#) Feb 28, 2014

What you are saying has happened to me also. One oral surgeon told me if the implant were easy to take out he would do it, and that he was concerned I would end up the worse for it. In retrospect it is perhaps good he didn't take it out as I wouldn't have found I was being affected by toxic mold in our home.

At this point the sinus and jaw pain are gone provided I irrigate the sinuses, use antifungal nasal spray and stay away from environmentally contaminated environments. It is still a suspicion that the implant has certainly not improved my health and that it and a possible cavitation could be contributing to ongoing sensitivities. Infrared sauna is also helpful if you can find one to use.

The oral surgeon in PA you may be referring to is a Lee Caruso (not sure if the spelling is right) who removed an implant from a contributor named Serbin if I am remembering it right. There is an oral surgeon out west renowned for cavitation surgery and removing implants and helping people who nobody else will help. I have heard he has come out of retirement and is working again. I have thought about looking him up, but hear he is quite aggressive in his technique and that people are left with not alot to work with as far as any future prosthetics. The good thing is that their health is usually improved, though.

Take care and keep at it!

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[Bluebird22](#) Feb 28, 2014

Thanks everyone. I wish I had a magic eight-ball to tell me what to do. I will keep on researching things and hopefully all my efforts will lead me in the right direction. I really appreciate all the experiences you are sharing and the information you are providing.

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[JoeJoePotatoes](#) Mar 05, 2014

Is it worthy to take the MELISA test even after the removal of the oral implant (Titanium plates and screws)? I mean, will the test reveal whether a person is allergic to metals specifically?

Or the MELISA test is for when you have the implants and suspect an allergy.

Please someone clarify. Thanks!

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Mar 05, 2014

JoeJoe,

I did both. I took the Melisa test prior to the removal of my cervical implant and then afterwards. The test result prior to the removal of the implant were very high and way out of range. A couple of months after the removal I retook the test and my levels fell back into the range. My concern was would the test been able to predict my metal allergy. I ask the lab about this and was told that even though they were in the normal range, that since the results were in the upper part of the range and that I would have been told that there would have been a large probability of having a reaction to the implant. I hope that answers your question. If not, please feel free to ask.

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[jodiett](#) Mar 06, 2014

There is a discussion board for dentists which I follow. A question has come up about poss reaction to a patient's titanium implants. Anyone including you guys can leave comments on there... given that this is a dentist's forum and a rare opportunity to get some info out there, you might want to throw some light on this for them & hopefully help the patient... ?<http://www.osseonews.com/ruling-titanium-toxicity-implant-case/>

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[JoeJoePotatoes](#) Mar 06, 2014

Thanks for your response B4SuzieQ.

Correct me if I am wrong here, but basically the MELISA test is NOT a predictor of specific-metal sensitivity? For instance, if a healthy person, who thinks he or she might be allergic to a metal (based on observations), wanted to get confirmation of being allergic, the MELISA test would not provide such

confirmation. Is that right?

I am dealing with an issue that I think is metal-allergy related and would like to find out of a test that confirms a person's allergy.

See my post here: <http://www.medhelp.org/posts/Allergy/Allergic-reaction-to-metals-but-cant-prove-it-yet/show/2115425>

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Mar 06, 2014

JoeJoe,

I read your post and the symptoms you are describing that your child had seemed very close to what I had. What I was told is that on the second test that my results although were in range, they were in the upper part of that range and would have been warned that there is a possible metal allergy. I cannot wear any jewelry, including a watch, because of this allergy.

If I were you I would contact Dr. Valentine-Thon at the Melisa lab in NJ. She is a wealth of information and I think she could give you a lot of insight. She is an extremely pleasant person and takes this seriously.

I hope this helps.

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[sami11](#) Mar 06, 2014

Hello everyone

First i would like to say that since my 2 implants were placed 2 years ago i have done just about every bit of research and spoken to every expert possible in eastern and western related medicine. Through all of this information i have collected i have drawn an overall conclusion based on my own experience with the 2 implants so i would like to share this information with you:

1. Galvanic corrosion is a high cause for leaking metal ions. When two different metals/alloys are present in the mouth with an electrolyte (in this case the saliva), there can be a reaction which stimulates the release of the ions from the less noble metal. This is particularly the case with dental amalgams. If you have ANY dental amalgams in your mouth then it may be the release of the extremely toxic mercury causing your health problems REMOVE THESE FIRST AND ASSESS FOR CHANGES. Replace any dental amalgam fillings with ceramic ones.

It is also advisable to replace any other metal present in the mouth that can be more easily removed. Any dental crowns made of metal should be replaced by the biologically inert ceramic zirconia, now freely available on the market. I had both my porcelain fused to metal crowns replaced with zirconia ones and now have no other dental restorations made from metal besides my two implants. Whether a causal relationship can be made, i feel progressive improvements.

2. Avoid any products containing titanium dioxide and particularly FLUORIDE. Fluoride has a negative reaction with titanium, significantly increasing the release of titanium ions. Fluoride is a toxin anyway so should be avoided regardless. Switch to a fluoride free toothpaste which can easily be found in any health shop.

3. CHANGE YOUR DIET. The potential for healing through nature is a gift and should not be ignored. Limit your consumption of sugars, wheat, gluten, dairy and anything artificial. All of these have a cumulative effect on the body and your immune system. As this is hard to cut out all at once, work in gradual stages. I started through cutting fast foods and fizzy drinks and then switched from milk chocolate to dark chocolate or raw cacao, and now have replaced dairy with better alternatives such as soy, coconut and hemp milk and now I ensure that I blend a variety of fruits in to a smoothy each morning as well as the same with vegetables at night.

I had previously suffered extreme digestive problems and restless leg syndrome since the placement of my implants which got progressively worse but and now beginning to drastically improve. Again I can not pinpoint exactly why, but I believe it to be a combination of my dental improvements, removal of fluoride and dietary changes that work hand in hand

3. Consider the possibility that the alloyed metals may be more harmful than the titanium. I have titanium grade 5 which is alloyed with small amounts of aluminum and vanadium.

4. Remember the body is an interconnected and interdependent system. Research the relationship between the teeth and meridian points using this interactive chart. See if your physical/mental symptoms correspond with this chart. In my case (teeth 9 and 10), my digestive problems could be linked to the kidney meridian.

5. Consider the use of continual homeopathy to remove metals from the body. I personally believe the metal leakage isn't the main issue as we have the presence of much higher levels of metal residuals naturally in our body. I believe that the insertion of a foreign body in to the bone is causing an energetic disturbance, interfering with our body's homeostasis and leading to nervous system and hormonal dysfunction. I do also believe that we can help ourselves should implant removal not be accessible, affordable or safe.

I have spent the second year with problems learning more about holistic medicine as well as our ability to heal anything through positive intent. This involves accepting the implants as part of our new selves as opposed to seeing it as a threat. Our bodies have an amazing ability to adapt to changes, but we must. I know this is hard, as this has been my biggest obstacle, but after great advice from very respectable and caring holistic therapists and healers, I have began to reverse my faulty cognitions and heal the body at the metaphysical level where everything is energetic. This is why I reiterate the removal of any other metals that may be causing a reaction.

I had spent every day pondering over whether to get my implants removed and this was very frustrating and depressing for me, so I can relate to everyone on this thread wholeheartedly. However I have decided to accept that nothing is perfect and we are exposed to all sorts of dangers in today's environment and must be dubious trusting anyone in the mainstream medical arena. I have learned to help myself and through dedication and continued research, I believe I can continue to restore my body and mind back to optimal health, regardless of the presence of the implants that I believe may well have been responsible for my digestive issues, restlessness and extreme fatigue.

When considering removing implants, you should take in to account all the factors- physical, mental, emotional, spiritual and reach the most viable conclusion. Feel free to write back for more advice as I should be able to provide this for you.

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[sami11](#) Mar 06, 2014

Apologies for the spelling mistakes, i should have proof read first and auto correct changed a few things wrongly. 'Flurried' = 'Fluoride'

Here is a link to the interactive chart is was mentioning. Sorry!

<http://www.talkinternational.com/toothchart.html>

\*Our bodies have an amazing ability to heal, but we must aid in this healing process through positive thought patterns. Try and focus on any of the positives of your implants. I am by no means saying that they are not the cause of your issues, but that we have the ability to reverse these effects. Although i have felt cheated and regretful about this procedure, i have now come to accept that this wasn't my fault, it was the decision i made at the time and i am going to live with it and find a way around the problem. My stress and anxiety, i am certain has only exacerbated my problems.

When i mentioned the removal of mercury fillings. This should be done regardless of the presence of implants, so even for those who may have had them removed already. They are practically one of the most toxic metals known to man, and there are numerous cases reporting leakage in to the body.

HAVE ANY FUTURE DENTAL PROCEDURES CARRIED OUT BY AN EXPERIENCED HOLISTIC METAL FREE DENTIST. This is imperative as using the wrong dentist may actually cause more problems than they will resolve and you are likely to face a backlash due to their high level of indoctrination in the medical field. It is so important to use a dentist you can trust, who makes you feel comfortable and understands where you are coming from. These dentists are far more likely to negotiate costs with you despite their higher initial costs. Unfortunately quality does cost, so if you are considering dental treatment, it is worth saving up for the best to save more costs down the line from problems that might emerge.

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[sami11](#) Mar 06, 2014

Please refer to my recent few comments at the end of this thread. I hope this information may be able to help you. Any further questions, i am more than willing to chat with you :)

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[gistp](#) Mar 07, 2014

I had a hair test for heavy metals done that showed the mercury fillings were not a problem but titanium was off the charts. As I don't use sunscreen; it could only come from a tiny pin in one tooth put in years ago.

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[terrybrown12](#) Mar 07, 2014

What a great post and wonderful information. I agree with everything you have said. I believe you can do this, given the very tough decision to have them removed. I think about this often.

For me I went two years doing all of the above. (except I do have a few crowns to remove) I improved 75 percent which was huge as I was really ill. I saw holistic doctors, ate an impeccable diet, prayed, meditated, exercised.... I still was 25 percent ill and had crashing fatigue also.

I can now say with the removal of the implants I am at 100 percent. But removing them has been a BIG ordeal and I do believe if you do not have issues that are really bringing you down, leaving them in would be ok. I have so many friends with implants and they are having no issues at all.

What a journey life is!!!!

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[WendyB87](#) Mar 08, 2014

Thank you for your post! You have certainly done the leg work and I appreciate you sharing your information and your on-target conclusions. I personally believe I was affected by not only the implants but the other dental metals which synergistically created the galvanic response so that my symptoms were pretty clearly those of metal poisoning. I didn't want to take any chances and did have my titanium implants out and will in time also remove my remaining two porcelain fused to metal crowns. My health is back to the way it was before the implants, which is much much better! While I no longer feel the effects of the dental metals that brought me down I've also struggled with autoimmunity issues. I really appreciate your suggestion about continued homeopathy and perhaps even more, about positive thought patterns and the importance of continuing to do all that is possible to reach maximum health! I also believe it is possible but it is also a journey with ups and downs and your post is so encouraging. Thank you!!

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[JoeJoePotatoes](#) Mar 09, 2014

I posted this info in a different thread but I should have done it here instead. I just wanted to add my experience with metal allergies. Sorry for the double post

original thread: <http://www.medhelp.org/posts/Allergy/Allergic-reaction-to-metals-but-cant-prove-it-yet/show/2115425>

Hi,

I am the parent of a child whose health has been deteriorating due to, what I believe, titanium plates and screws implanted in his mouth for orthodontic purposes.

From muscle fatigue, to joint pain, fevers and rashes, my teen child has experienced it all. Treatment has been done for the illnesses but there is no conclusive info to support my belief or anyone else's, for that matter. I have read most of the scientific articles about Ti/Ni/Metal allergies in dental patients and I have a strong feeling about that THIS IS the source of the problems.

The dental implant was removed, and 'coincidentally' my child's health has started to improve (relatively speaking in regards to the symptoms). My child is allergic to Nickel based on observations throughout life but we have never proven it scientifically. Every specialist is baffled (lack of exposure to cases like this maybe?).

Like I said, the symptoms have improved, except for the fevers that come back (one/twice a day). There is no sign of infection but there is a sign of decreasing inflammation - Doctors decided that the best course of action was a high dose of steroids (prednisone) for three days to reset the immune system. Started yesterday, so two more days to go.

The symptoms my child presented was of the following diseases (as per Drs diagnosis): Mono (a week after implant), Serum sickness (a month after implant), rheumatoid arthritis, juvenile idiopathic arthritis, lyme disease, rocky mountain spotted fever. LTT to Ni and Ti and a biopsy test results are pending as well as of other diseases.

I would like to believe we are dealing with allergy to metals because it makes the most sense. However, I pray it is something non-malignant and treatable. I am so very thankful of the physicians that have treated and still are treating my child and the nurses caring for the kid.

Once he recovers, I will do a full metal allergy test.

Here are the journals that have helped me during this rough time (I encourage you to read and educate yourself):

[http://www.biovis.de/resources/Titanium\\_allergy.pdf](http://www.biovis.de/resources/Titanium_allergy.pdf)

<http://www.melisa.org/pdf/Metal-induced-side-effects.pdf>

<http://www.melisa.org/pdf/Hypersensitivity-titanium.pdf>

<http://www.melisa.org/pdf/neuroen.pdf>

The picture below is of the type of rash we are dealing with. Does it look like yours? It is not itchy in our case.

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[Bluebird22](#) Mar 10, 2014

joejoe, thank you for moving your post that describes your son's health history. I am so sorry that he has had to go through all of this - and I can only imagine how hard it must be for you. I just want to caution you that steroids and Lyme disease are a very bad mix. They wreak havoc on your immune system. It is probably too late, but I thought you should know this. Many of us that have had Lyme disease have had autoimmune problems after taking steroids. (I took prednisone for sudden and severe neruo-sensory hearing loss and that is when all of my neuro symptoms began)

I know there are times when you have no choice. It sounds like you have done a lot of research and it is great that your son has you as his advocate. Thank you so much for all of those wonderful references. Good luck to both of you and please keep us posted!

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[JoeJoePotatoes](#) Mar 10, 2014

I wonder if anyone here has tried physical therapy and whether it has been beneficial in any way, shape or form to the overall recovery process?

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Mar 10, 2014

JoeJoe,

I went to a physical therapist before to get some relief. She hurt me so much I had to have a cervical fusion surgery immediately. I do believe if it weren't for her I would have never had to have this surgery. And this was a very respected physical therapy office. I would not go to another physical therapist or chiropractor. I do go to an acupuncturist and have had some very good results with that.

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[KFB818](#) Mar 11, 2014

It could come from titanium dioxide (a white coloring) rather than the titanium metal itself. Titanium dioxide is EVERYWHERE: coating for many medicines/vitamins, skim milk (it would be bluish without it), toothpaste, most foods/fillings that are really, really white (such as powered sugar, donut filling, clam chowder), sunscreen, make-up, deodorant, cigarette paper, etc. Skim milk doesn't have to label that it's there; other foods say artificial color, and pills may say edible ink.

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[JoeJoePotatoes](#) Mar 14, 2014

Did the fevers ever stop for you completely? or did you get a fever here and there after being affected by the Ti/Ni? My kid is under prednisone treatment and in the past week has gotten a couple of fevers

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[mooseymoo](#) Mar 22, 2014

Does anyone have a good dentist in the UK who will remove a dental implant? I have spent months trying to find someone. Please help, I am desperate.

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[jodiett](#) Mar 23, 2014

My specialist might well help, I'll send you a private message..

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[Bluebird22](#) Mar 24, 2014

Sorry I cannot help you with the UK. But I am seeing a third oral surgeon tomorrow to help me determine whether my titanium dental implant might be responsible for many of my lingering symptoms of a chronic illness. I will post after my visit. He is in western MA in the US.

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[Bluebird22](#) Mar 28, 2014

Again, the latest oral surgeon does not think there is anything wrong with my implant and he does not want to remove it because he says I would be suffering from sinus infections, drainage and pain there if it was a problem. He thinks that my symptoms are from Lyme Disease. I completed a health history with MERISA Diagnostics and received an email back that the symptoms I do have fit the profile for someone who is likely reacting to the metals in my dental implant and would probably find relief if it were removed. I am going to try to get the MELISA testing and if I do find out that I have sensitivity to the titanium, I am going to travel to where ever I need to go to get this dental implant removed!

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[myname76](#) Apr 01, 2014

Hello

I have a titanium implant three years ago. A month later I suffered a lot of symptoms (panic attacks, increases in

fasting glucose, muscle weakness, fatigue, etc).

Symptoms gradually declining, but still I do not feel completely recovered. After visiting crowd of doctors, an allergist finally found that the eosinophilic cationic protein was worth 75. He blamed it on some type of food allergy. All doctors I've visited agree an allergy to titanium is impossible to produce this, but I've never been in poor health and since then I do not feel well.

I made the Melisa test in which a high nickel allergy and possible allergy titanium oxide appeared.

I don't know if I must remove the implant, can the cationic protein marker be related?

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Apr 01, 2014

A titanium implant isn't made up of 100% titanium, it has alloys in it, and usually nickel is one of them. It could be that your implant contains nickel. I did not have a dental implant, so I can only speak of the cervical implant I had. After almost two years with the implant in me, I felt like I was dying. I had the melisa test from the NJ location and spoke with a very caring Dr. Valentine-Thon there. Long story short, I had it removed and did a lot better since.

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[myname76](#) Apr 01, 2014

Thanks B4SuzieQ

The implant is the prime suspect

I wonder if anyone else with these problems have increased levels of cationic protein marker in blood

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[KatyN23](#) Apr 04, 2014

hi moosemoo, I'm also desperate, + I've got at least 8 implants, progressive health decline, only keep going because of raw food diet + constant detox, but so tired! did you find a solution? I'm still waiting for melisa results. here in uk not as aware as in States. my chief problem is bronchial, constant mucus in throat which affects my voice + I have to negotiate by email. I'm considering zirconia replacements, but need to find practitioners, few in uk!

bear up! KatyN23

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[KatyN23](#) Apr 04, 2014

further to this, has anyone experience with removal +replacement with zirconia? I'm concerned that my body may not tolerate further implantation.I know hal huggins says sticking any foreign matter in bone provokes reaction. in that case I'll be left with a denture, + I'm only 66!

I don't believe dentists are particularly conspiratorial, just the system runs everyone off their feet. surgeons perform wonders for people with accidents etc, but a lot of our health problems are because we don't instinctively go with nature anymore.implantation is the only surgery I've had, + I bought the "bio friendly" argument! my implants worked wonders, but my body doesn't want them. I.m specifically interested in people's experiences here in the uk, but welcome all your input.only just mastered logistics of getting into this community.

KatyN23 p.s.. I recommend the detox doc at dr robertmorsend youtube site. competent, big hearted naturopath,healer

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[virTi](#) Apr 05, 2014

Hallo, i am new to this site and i am looking on information how dangerous dental implants can be. I got my implant 6 years ago and everything was fine, but about 2years ago started to feel terrible. Just from no reason my blood preasure started to jump high and my pulse was 110 per minute, i felt very depressed. I develop adenoma in my thyroids, as well i had high ATPO antibodies in my blood test, as well i started to feel pain in my heart area, plus digestion problems. And month ago i done hair test for mikroelements and my result shows very high number of CO (cobalt). It means my body is poisoned with cobalt. Could it be from dental implant, maybe somebody had the same expierence?

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Apr 05, 2014

I didn't have a dental implant, but I had a cervical implant that caused me a great deal of trouble. I was metal tested by a Melisa lab in NJ. There are other labs too, but I really liked the doctor there.

It is odd that you are mentioning this, because I am presently being tested for a pheochromocytoma. One reason is my bp spikes I an having. However, I started to have those symptoms prior to the implant. That being said, I have had a great deal of dental work done in my mouth, but not an implant.

Please keep us updated.

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[jodiett](#) Apr 06, 2014

Cobalt is used in some dental implants <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cobalt-chrome>, but possibly also in fillings / crowns .. worth googling. Ppl need to get a spec sheet from the manufacturer for implant, abutment, screw & crown the dentist intends to use before going ahead with an implant, it will tell you what it is composed of. You can replace fillings fairly easily if you have probs with them but not implants, dentists should give you these details as a matter of course IMO, but its like trying to get state secrets out of them unless you do it BEFORE the implant goes in when they're still after your cash.

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[jodiett](#) Apr 06, 2014

Katy, ask Steve about replacing removed Ti implant with zirconia. He doesn't like zirc, thinks they crack too easily, but then surprised me by saying he'll replace my Ti with zirconia if I have trouble with it. I also found a good dentist 10 mles from here (google around & you should find one but probably not right next door) who will do zirc implants, he has put in 10 so far but he says its like getting into a strangers car .. he has to go slowly & carefully as he doesn't do them every day. This means more chance of infection & i cannot take antibiotics... + the price seems to be leaping up (£2500 now) so I'm sitting on the fence with that one.

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[KatyN23](#) Apr 06, 2014

hi jodiett, I've emailed his reception, so they should reply after the weekend. my dentist should remove them if paid [altho' he doesn't do ceramic as far as I know ]but wants "proof" hence [im]patiently awaiting melisa ,2 weeks now. lots of dentists do ceramic crowns on titanium screws. If you google metal free dental implants uk just 4 practitioners come up, 2 in london area, 1 in hampshire, +1 in lyme regis, but he has an equivocal attitude to mercury. vera at melisa mentions a doctor mendonca caridad in spain, but I don't want to hike that far. there are also biodentists here + in europe, dr thomas rau at the paracelsus clinic advocates zirconia. I'm interested to get feedback from those who've had ceramic for 3-4 years, as it's taken that amount of time for me to really start feeling wierd with the titanium. there is an amazing russian raw food vegan lady who had hip implants years ago, + is doing fine, advertising herself as 15% titanium. b.t.w, inability to take antibiotics shows a finely tuned system. cheers! katyn23

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[virTi](#) Apr 06, 2014

I will try to contact my surgeon who placed implants for me, maybe he will give some info, I just know that implant is straumann brand, but other parts no idea. Plus it was 6 years ago and all those bad symptoms i started to feel just about 2 years ago. But hair test was done month ago and just now i find out that i got very high levels of cobalt.

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[terrybrown12](#) Apr 06, 2014

Hi,  
I had mine replaced with zirconium and one has been in over a year and the other 6 months. My body is accepting them just fine.

Terry

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[jodiett](#) Apr 07, 2014

Could that be coming from fillings/crowns?

This is what I got from Straumann when asked about metals in their dental materials..""In general, Straumann implants, abutments, closure screws and healing caps are made of titanium implant quality grade 4. Some of the base or occlusal screws and synOcta abutments are manufactured from a titanium-aluminium-niobium alloy containing 90% titanium. Straumann ROXOLIO implants are made from a titanium-zirconium alloy containing 85% titanium. There is no nickel, cobalt or any other metals added to these materials, and only trace amounts thereof are present."

email & ask them what they were using 6 yrs ago, but even better if u can get the exact part no's yr dentist used & ask about those. If they say there was no cobalt in there & cobalt is the problem, its possible its coming from somewhere else.

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[jodiett](#) Apr 07, 2014

It's the Hampshire one that I saw, in Fleet. Good guy. One of the London clinics (Ella) charged £3000 for zirc & didn't reply when i asked if they cd do without antibiotics.

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[KatyN23](#) Apr 07, 2014

I need to know if doc Smith will remove my implants, or direct me to someone who can, a.s.a.p.I have an appt with him for the 22nd.once they're out I'm sure I'll recover, + can negotiate zirconia replacement.the bronchial + throat inflammation I suffer I'm sure is from the metal, ear nose +throat clinic found nowt, offered me speech therapy!Is the hampshire guy amenable? has he experience with titanium toxicity?

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[jodiett](#) Apr 08, 2014

Speech therapy .. ROFL! Sent u a private mssg yesterday. Be certain the are the prob when u see him - tell him you got sick soon as they went in & you've been tested to death for everything else. Incidentally it may be some other metal than titanium which is in the implants and causing you probs, the MELISA test will be interesting. If you show positive for any of the metals google them and see if any of them are used in implants. Its more ammunition for you.

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[KatyN23](#) Apr 08, 2014

I'll do as you say. my implant has 10% aluminium/vanadium +there must be a whole cocktail of metals in the crowns so in the 4 years I've had them the load in my body must have built up.melisa lists inorganic mercury as one of the ingredients. inorganic? if it walks like a duck, quacks like a duck etc,anyway mercury messes up your bonchial mucosa, also causes nerve reactions. I notice several posters here got that, +muscle weakness. we're in good company with mercury poisoning; sir isaac newton,paganini, plus all those unfortunate romantic poets/ artists/ musicians who were given mercury for the pox.metal medicine is SO 19th century! katyn23

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[virTi](#) Apr 09, 2014

Thanks for Your replie on Straumann implants, i got the same answer from my surgeron, that is made from titanium and cobalt could be, but just macrograms in it. But i got crown on another tooth and its made from chromium and cobalt. Now i"m waiting for my blood test for cobalt, chromium and titanium in my body. If it shows that is too high i will have first of all to remove that cobalt crown. The test i done before was from hair and it showed that cobalt is too high in my body.

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[KatyN23](#) Apr 12, 2014

my melisa results show no allergies to any of the 11 metals tested, except zirconium, but toxicity from vanadium which is in the implant. however melisa don't think a dentist would consider this sufficient cause to remove them, so I'm hoping your guy will be more amenable. as it seems from this that implanting zirconium will be risky, I may first consider getting my crowns all metal free + see how I do.a bionetics hair test showed no heavy

metal toxicity, some from chemicals +hydrocarbons.

Katyn23

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[jodiett](#) Apr 13, 2014

Jeez I really cannot trust my iPad. I posted a reply this morning but it has disappeared. I'll let you know my email addie, this site is quite slow with notifications.

Many ppl here show up as neg in MELISA but still get relief from symptoms once the implants are out. Not all weird things happening in your bod can be tested for.. (don't I know it, having suffered with MCS for 15 years!) It was Steve's idea to put a test screw in for 6 mo's even tho my previous MELISA tests were neg for titanium.

If you put your case well I still think he will remove them for you, tho if you can afford it it might be good to redo the crowns first, they could be causing more trouble than the implants but are much easier to sort out.

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[Bluebird22](#) Apr 14, 2014

Are you saying that if you test negative for sensitivity to titanium and metals in your implant, that it might help to get the crowns replaced in your mouth that could have metal in them? I often wonder if I am having a 'battery effect' or 'galvanized mouth', as described in Hal Huggins' book. I have already started getting my mercury fillings replaced, but I have 3 more to go. I do have a couple of crowns that might have mercury fillings underneath them too.

I did finally get the MELISA testing done and am waiting for the results now.

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[WendyB87](#) Apr 14, 2014

I definitely think there's something to the galvanization effect drawing the metals into your system if you have other metals in your mouth. In my case, I'm pretty sure that this compounded the effects of the titanium implants. My worst symptoms were symptoms of heavy metal poisoning, which occurred several months after I had the crowns in and a year after I had the implants in. I also think my crowns were toxic to me because the moment they were in they stung my tongue a little and felt rough even though they were smooth. I can't remember the makeup anymore but I believe vanadium was part of it. The fact that I tested negative on MELISA meant nothing to me since it only tests for allergies and it was simply "toxic" to my system.

I had the crowns removed and wore a temporary for 3 weeks to see if my symptoms would go away but they didn't. The temp however, was a Maryland bridge and had metal wings. I'd worn the same temp before I had the

crowns in with no problems but don't know if it was effecting me later due to my body being so overloaded at that point. I also thought about getting porcelain crowns to see if the symptoms would dissipate but didn't want the extra expense if it didn't work. Can you get acrylic temps instead of having porcelain crowns made? I wore acrylic temps after I had my titanium implants out and they didn't bother me much (at first they stung but after detoxing that dissipated)? It just seems like such a big expense to get all porcelain crowns, which are more expensive, and then to not have it work.

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[KatyN23](#) Apr 15, 2014

thanks Wendy, I've decided to have the implants out. there are too many people out there suffering the same symptoms, flu, fevers that don't resolve, skin problems, throat + bronchial discomfort, muscle weakness, cramps, + above all deep down lethargy, for it to be a collective fantasy. I'm negotiating with 2 dentists here. most people on this forum say it wasn't difficult to remove the implants, it must be part of their training. last resort, there are bio-dentists in europe who are well aware of metal toxicity, + maybe your specialist in bulgaria would help.

KatyN23

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[WendyB87](#) Apr 15, 2014

Hi Katy, I came to the same conclusion when deciding to have mine out. Also, the implants could very possibly lead to health problems down the road, like, say, cancer. Our bodies are already fighting an onslaught of toxins just from everyday living. I think the location of the implant may have something to do with how easily they come out. Mine were a little difficult because they were in the anterior and very small since I have a small jaw. Someone else recently went to my dentist and experienced a very easy removal. Either way, congratulations, I think you've made a "health-smart" decision! I have absolutely no regrets. I'm glad that ugly metal, which came out black, is out of me! My dentist practices in the states and in Europe part-time. It seems that every few months he flies over. I may have given this to you already but in case I haven't, his name is Dr. Veselin Shumantov. His number in the states is (973) 736-3636. If you want his email, just text me. Good luck again.

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[joedonahue3](#) Apr 15, 2014

Hi myname76

There are other blood analysis markers which are related to allergy / inflammation. Were you tested for tryptase and IgE levels as well?

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[myname76](#) Apr 17, 2014

Hi

IgE Total was elevated in the first blood test. It decreased in the following tests (every 6-12 months)

Tryptase was within the limits.

ECP was very elevated, it has decreased too, but are still elevated.

My health has also improved over time, I still have some symptoms and fatigue, but I can do more or less normal life (the first year after the implant was awful)

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[lindanissen](#) Apr 19, 2014

hi, i am from denmark.

in all titanium pure or alloys, there will be nickel, vanadium, palladium, so if get implants, ask the doc to test you for all metals.

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[SJR1952](#) Apr 23, 2014

Those of you who had your dental implants removed, what are you using instead? Partial dentures or what? I am considering my options to replace a tooth due to be pulled soon because decay set in under a crown.

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[Bluebird22](#) May 02, 2014

My MELISA testing came back negative, but after a long discussion with Dr. Valentine, my dentist thinks my titanium implant is at the root of my chronic illness and multiple head symptoms.

The hard part is finding an oral surgeon who is willing and competent to do this. I have been to 3 so far and nobody wants to take it out. My dentist gave me an article written by a holistic oral surgeon all about the problems with titanium implants - her name is Lina Garcia. She is in Chicago and she does remove intact implants. Problem is, I am in New England. The other oral surgeon my dentist found is Dr. Sammy Noubissi in Silver Springs, MD. That would be closer for me.

Forgive me if you have already provided this information, but... do any of you know of any oral surgeons in

New England or NY, PA, NJ who are experienced and capable of moving intact dental implants? I am really scared, but hopeful that this will help to relieve me of my awful symptoms.

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[terrybrown12](#) May 11, 2014

I hope someone has replied to you, i believe there are a few in your area.

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[Bluebird22](#) May 12, 2014

I heard from someone in this forum about an oral surgeon in Philadelphia (Dr. C) that I have an appointment with later this week. If there is anyone closer, I would love to get that contact info! Thanks, Terry.

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[terrybrown12](#) May 15, 2014

crazy how every time I come here to this site to check in, the page is covered with ads for titanium implants! just had to share....

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[Bluebird22](#) May 19, 2014

I finally saw Dr. C in Philadelphia. He thought that it would be a mistake to have my titanium implant removed. When I described my symptoms to him, he said that I was describing damage to the 5th cranial nerve 'to a tee'. Unfortunately, he said that only about 1% of the patients who come to him with my symptoms are helped by dental implant removal. He said the people who are helped by this are those who come to him complaining of a general feeling of malaise, fatigue, and symptoms that are not necessarily in the vicinity of the dental implant. He was so very informative and I liked his bedside manner. I am disappointed, though, that implant removal is probably not the answer for me. He said that my symptoms could have been caused by a dentist or oral surgeon hitting that nerve or it could be related to my battle with chronic Lyme disease. I am probably going to try treating this more aggressively. I thought I should post this information for all of you out there considering implant removal. By the way, both Clifford testing and MELISA testing showed no sensitivity to titanium for me. But I do still wonder if the corroding metals could be leaching into the tissue and bone where the implant is placed. If only there was an x-ray or test to determine this!

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[B4SuzieQ](#) May 19, 2014

My sister had a surgically implanted tens unit to control pain from a previous back surgery. She developed a lot of symptoms similar to mine plus some different ones when I had a cervical titanium plate implanted. Since I personally had to have a cervical plate removed, I told her to get a Melissa test. She scored 1.5 on about 10 different metals, but nothing over a 2. She decided to have it removed and is doing a lot better 2 months later.

This is a difficult and personal decision. I hope you get some answers too.

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[charllotep](#) Jun 08, 2014

Hi,

I am a person who had dental implants twice in last eight months. The first time it was of traditional method using titanium roots. For some reason the implant was failure and i was suffered with some dental issues. And the specialist who did my implant could not exactly find the reason. Then one of my cousin who did an implant couple of years back suggested it may be due to an allergic reaction. He recommended me to go to a holistic dentist ([drwolch.com/holistic-dental-procedures/bridges-dental-implants/](http://drwolch.com/holistic-dental-procedures/bridges-dental-implants/)). I took his suggestion and went to a holistic dentist nearby. He did the necessary treatments to my existing issues and then did the implant with something called zirconium. It fitted my teeth perfectly and no issues arose. After four months a ceramic crown was placed and everything ended up very well.

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[AbsoluteBeginner](#) Jun 11, 2014

Hello again to everyone,

I am here to share some good news and hope. I have previously posted my story - had an implant in 2009, when I was feeling perfectly healthy and energetic. Symptoms started several months later and quickly exacerbated until I was homebound and not functioning at all - terrible fatigue, muscle weakness, panic attacks, stomach problems, anxiety, depression, brain fog, poor concentration, etc. Generally feeling very, very weak and not myself. As my husband and a friend one day concluded - "it is as if you are being slowly poisoned." That's how it occurred to us that it could be the implant; I didn't make the connection initially.

I had the implant removed in 2014 and that's the best decision I have made so far. Haven't recovered 100% but I think it takes time and effort (exercise, detox), to compensate for the years of not moving and for the toxicity. But there is huge improvement - my close ones say that I even talk and move differently. I feel stronger and more myself. After not doing anything for years, months after the implant is gone, I am back travelling, working, taking better care of my child, etc.

This weekend we were mountain biking (my muscles still in bad shape but improving), it was very hot, and I noticed with joy that I have no agoraphobia and I can tolerate the heat perfectly. While I had the implant, I couldn't tolerate any direct sun, I immediately started to feel dizzy and had to go in the shade and lie down. So, it seems like that will be the first summer since 2009 that I may be able to actually enjoy!

Just like you, I was told numerous times by dentist and doctors that I am imagining all of that and the reason may be different. How can one imagine it? Am I imagining now that I can do more things?

I just wanted to say that there is hope and the implants should be removed, regardless of the risk! My dentist was trying to convince me against the removal until the last moment, even right before the surgery. However, I was very stubborn (though scared), because I realised that I am getting worse every year and if I don't take the risk of removing it, I am just sitting, waiting, deteriorating, and not living.

Sincerely wish everyone here success with the removal and with reclaiming our own bodies.

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[Bluebird22](#) Jun 11, 2014

Thank you for sharing AbsoluteBeginner! I am so happy for you. Could you give any details on the surgery to remove your implant? Was the implant well integrated with your jaw bone? Was the procedure traumatic in any way? Mine is tooth #14 in upper jaw and I am told it could cause trauma to the bone to have it removed. I know I have read here that even a dentist was able to do this for a patient in NJ in just a few minutes with only Novocaine. It would be so helpful if you could describe your experience for those of us still contemplating this. Thank you!

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[smileynow](#) Jun 12, 2014

There is another holistic dentist in PA who has removed about 50 implants. I'll message you with the name.

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[terrybrown12](#) Jun 12, 2014

thank you for sharing your success story! it always makes me feel good to hear others with similar stories to mine.

Bluebird, I know with the right surgeon your implant removal would be EASY!

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[AbsoluteBeginner](#) Jun 13, 2014

Sorry for the delay; I wrote a long post yesterday but lost it somehow. So here are the details for the operation. But I live in Europe - Sofia, Bulgaria, so some of the info may not be applicable here :-)

The surgery itself was short and not painful; only with local anaesthetic; I was awake. The big scare was actually the months before the surgery. It was my upper left 5th tooth that was replaced with an implant. The place of the missing tooth was very narrow, so it was a very small implant.

The surgery was done by my long-term dentist (and a friend already), who placed the implant in the first place. It was perfectly integrated with the bone, no signs of infection, from a dentist point of view - I'm totally crazy to remove it. It took me a long time to convince the dentist, who was sure the problem was somewhere else, but he gave up in the end.

He admitted that he has never removed an implant before but I decided to take this risk because 1) he has placed it, so he knows the exact location, brand, had all the X-rays and 3d scans, etc. 2) I knew from experience that he is a really good surgeon and removing an implant shouldn't be that much more difficult than removing a wisdom tooth. 3) I couldn't find a dentist in Bulgaria with proven track record of removing implants, so I decided to go with one whom I generally trust. Besides, you know how difficult it is to convince anyone that a well-integrated implant should be removed. My dentist at least knows me for years and knows that I am not typically paranoid or anxious. He also agreed that I have started to look unwell, just couldn't believe that the implant could be the reason.

So, the dentist thought that he could be able to unscrew it. We agreed that if it turns out difficult or impossible to unscrew, he will not try and push too hard, but will just close the site and postpone the operation. I found a dentist in Scotland who has experience with removing implants, so we agreed that if unscrewing doesn't work, I will travel to Scotland. My dentist actually offered to come with me, because he said he would be very interested in observing this.

Fortunately, thus wasn't necessary as he managed to unscrew it! It wasn't easy, he had two assistants and made several attempts. At one point they stopped to look for a different instrument and at the end, modified one of their instruments. They also made a cut on the top of the implant to be able to place the instrument in the cut and use it as a screwdriver. Just as I was beginning to panic, the nasty thing came off! The entire process took no more than 10-20 minutes (including the break for changing instruments and making their own).

My understanding is that the major risk is bone loss due to the missing tooth or damage to the neighbouring teeth or the jaw. Even though my dentist was inexperienced, I have no damage. The bone loss is minimal and that's inevitable when losing a tooth or an implant. As I said, my implant/ gap was small, neighbouring teeth really close.

They were insisting on doing bone grafting but I refused. I didn't want anything else foreign in my bone. I decided to let nature heal the spot. Besides, I am not interested in a new implant. Of course, if you need a new implant (zirconia?), I guess bone grafting may be necessary.

When it was all over, I was just wondering why I didn't do it earlier. I realise that the surgery poses risk, but with the right dentist, it isn't that scary at all. Keep my fingers crossed for a good outcome for you guys! At the end I found the courage for the surgery because one morning I realised that my condition was deteriorating every year. So, I thought - what I am waiting for? Yes, there is a risk, but if I want a full life, I have to take it. Otherwise have to just drag my feet around feeling sick.

The improvement is not 100% and not too fast, but there is significant improvement and I am happy the nasty thing is out.

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[Bluebird22](#) Jun 14, 2014

Congratulations on getting your implant out! So happy for you!! Thanks so much for sharing your story too. It means so much to those of us contemplating this. My dentist told me he wishes he could take it out, but he does not feel qualified to do this. Even most of the oral surgeons I saw don't feel qualified, I am pretty sure!

It was an oral surgeon who placed my implant 6 years ago. I did not care for him and it was a rather traumatic procedure for me getting my failed, root canaled tooth extracted and then having that implant put in. I would not want to use that OS again. I am considering calling back the OS I saw in PA who does a lot of implant removals and telling him I am getting worse and my symptoms are not just in my head...

I have a cyst on the floor of my sinus right above the implant and the stem of the implant penetrates above my sinus cavity, but it is protected in that cyst. I think that the oral surgeons are afraid of a big hole in my sinus once the implant comes out. Anybody here have a cyst like this above their implants?

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[smileynow](#) Jun 14, 2014

It has been a busy week and I have not had time to use the infrared sauna. Once again I am reminded of the cavitation and piece of crap metal leaching aluminum into my jaw!

For those of you looking for some relief while you are searching the right surgeon--try the infrared sauna. It will have the effect of opening the blood vessels and increasing circulation to this dead area of jaw bone created by root canals and extractions. It will help transport toxic metals out of the area. The standard of care in dentistry is resulting in pain and disease for some people. When are they going to acknowledge this and change the way they do extractions and help the people who are affected by cavitations????

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[AbsoluteBeginner](#) Jun 15, 2014

So sorry to hear about the complications. Yes, it sounds like the original surgeon wouldn't be a good idea. Have you discussed bone grafting with them? If the sinus is perforated, aren't there other ways to deal with it (besides keeping a metal implant?) BTW, on the 3D scan before placing the implant (in 2009), they also saw a cyst in my sinus cavity but said it was unimportant and the implant was not that close to the cyst or the sinus, so my experience isn't relevant. I so hope that the experienced surgeon in PA finds a solution for you! Keeping my fingers crossed!

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[jodiett](#) Jun 18, 2014

I am pretty certain there's traces of other metals in titanium implants - even a difference between 2 of same implant from same supplier, even tho they swear they are 100% pure. I have tested positive to allergies to about 6 metals, titanium isn't one of them, but I also have a history of bad reactions to many things which don't show in testing. For this reason my specialist put a small titanium pin in my jaw for 7 mo's as a tryout .. no problem. Went ahead with the real thing - same brand as tester - & 3 weeks later my mouth nose chest was horribly sore painful & burning. I suspected the abutment so we changed that to zirconium (this also covered the screw so it wasn't in contact).. no difference, so it obv was the implant. Waited another 4 weeks or so to be sure, no change, so it had to come out. Symptoms gone within 3 weeks. It was a doddle to get out btw, took no more than 8 mins & hardly bled at all even tho it had integrated. My specialist said he'd never seen such a well integrated implant, he was practically in tears at having to remove it.

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[jodiett](#) Jun 18, 2014

BTW that may just be the crowns rather than the implants?

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[WendyB87](#) Jun 18, 2014

OMG, that's EXACTLY what happened to me. I seemed okay with the implants, although started to get intense headaches and some on and off unexplained nausea. I have to make this short right now since I'm getting ready for work, but when I had the crowns put on my symptoms went through the roof - mouth burning (first symptom), blisters in my mouth, eczema, itching, out of body feeling, heartburn....I got the implants and crowns out and detoxed. I believe that the galvanization effect contributed to my symptoms pulling the metals into my body so that I had metal poisoning. I got the crowns off and let two weeks pass before I got the implants out (nothing changed in those two weeks). I'm good now - no more dental symptoms although I can be a little sensitive to other dental materials like plastics. Get them out! If you're in the tri-state area I know a dentist who would do it (he also practices in Europe). You will be so much better once your body is clean.

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[AbsoluteBeginner](#) Jun 18, 2014

Where are you? There must be an experienced dentist in your area, who will take them out. You will get better! I know how hopeless it may all seem, but it isn't. Taking them out isn't that difficult and it seems as it seems. Our bodies have incredible healing power and, once you get what's poisoning you out of your system, you will get back to your old normal self.



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[smileynow](#) Jun 25, 2014

Remembering back to a hair analysis ---beryllium was measurable, and this is a toxic metal that they are still using in some dental crowns and dentures. Why I wonder? It is carcinogenic. Something else to think about besides the nickel.

The medical and dental profession have an obligation to inform their customers as to what is going into their mouths and bodies! In the future smart consumers with ask: Who manufactured this? Where is it from? What is in it???? What are my options?

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[KatyN23](#) Jun 26, 2014

just beat the record[?] .with 12implants[many of them mini-screws] removed in 2 hrs. have been trying 8 months. will really detox now.thanks to y'all for your info!will recount more when recovered.

KatyN23 [uk]

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[Bluebird22](#) Jun 27, 2014

Wow, KatyN23! That is incredible that you just had them all out in 2 hours. When you are feeling up to it, can you share how you finally found someone to do this? I look forward to hearing about your recovery and any changes/improvements in your symptoms... Congratulations!!

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[KatyN23](#) Jun 27, 2014

thanks, am lolling around bruised + battered today, but already breathing better, +feeling relieved.we're in england, my dentist in 30 years had never heard of such a thing. he wanted "proof" of allergy, melisa test showed none except vanadium toxicity.he booked me in for the 6th june, then got cold feet +trundled me off to a teaching hospital consultant who gave him the go ahead as the implants were failing due to inflammation, wonder why?!!I had valium to get me through it, +now have a frightful temporary denture, + am trying to shunt juice down my throat.if anyone in the uk wants to message me privately I can let you know the name of that

consultant, she is very fair, + although she won't openly admit to immune reaction, she did concede I was ill. I was rapidly sliding into senility! will continue progress report.....KatyN23

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[WendyB87](#) Jun 28, 2014

Congrats on getting your implants removed. I know its a big step no matter how badly one feels. The temps are a little scary but you'll find the right solution in time. I opted for zirconium, my implant's been in over a year and haven't had difficulties with it yet. All the best to you on your road to recovery!!!

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[swimmingly](#) Jun 29, 2014

anyone know if the ada reads this sight?

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[KatyN23](#) Jul 06, 2014

I highly recommend Christa Davis's "steel standing", [only a few £/\$s on kindle] covers every angle of the implantation nightmare, in her case, hip/knee/pacemaker. highlights muscle "myopathy" [deterioration] + recovery when offending metal removed. when you think of the chunks of metal involved in joint replacements, cervical etc, also stents, stents can't be removed!

I had escalating symptoms similar to yours, absolute beginner. 10 days after removal still weak + woozy, but notice I too can tolerate hot sunshine/hot baths, am regaining concentration + grip in my hands. am on a highly alkaline diet to help detox.

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[Samari22](#) Jul 18, 2014

Agreed about the attitudes of dentists! An emergency situation arose and I needed to find a dental dummy quick. However, my emergency search turned into 6 weeks that eliminated most dentists in my area. I ended up driving 2 hours away to visit a dentist who seemed to be the best of the worst. Turns out that he may have been the worst of the worst. He didn't resolve my issue, pressured me while under anesthesia and laughing gas to have a procedure done that we hadn't agreed on or talked about and when I didn't comply with what he wanted he filled my teeth terribly. I was pretty mortified after the whole thing and will be in a legal battle with him. I'll be glad if I walk away from this whole experience without any other terrible side effects of that clown's work.

Why can't dentists be more uniform, or at least more intelligent?

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[jodiett](#) Jul 19, 2014

Complain, complain, complain - your dentist must have some sort of professional body you can bring this up with- - and leave reviews on public sites. I only discovered recently here in UK we can put in a complaint online to the Care Quality Commission which will bring up the issue with the dentist on the next inspection.

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[IlenePie](#) Aug 17, 2014

I had one implant put in 7 weeks ago. After 3 weeks, developed on/off tinnitus; at 6 weeks tinnitus (ringing in ears) is non-stop. At more than 6 weeks, developed joint pain in hips. My surgeon said tinnitus coincidental. I expect to have it out before more things go wrong.

Fluoride corrodes titanium, as you note. But surgeons are not advising people not to use fluoride. I've been brushing my implant and all my teeth with fluoride until yesterday. Check out the research on fluoride and titanium implants and you'll see a lot, even though my surgeon insisted not a problem.

Everyone needs to report problems having/had to FDA. Otherwise they'll continue to say titanium dental implants are free of problems. We need to document so other don't suffer like us.

Let me just say I think I have a good surgeon. The titanium implant is the problem, not the surgeon.

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tinnitus

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0940960211001993>

Use Google Scholar. Much research on titanium dental implant.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 18, 2014

I might add the entire concept of lodging a piece of metal in the skull that is known to leach aluminum is one of the worst ideas in modern dentistry.

A genetic mutation thought to be present in a significant percentage of the population (MTHFR) renders the affected individuals unable to process toxins efficiently, especially heavy metals.

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[Bluebird22](#) Aug 18, 2014

Thank you for these articles and information! Sorry about your tinnitus, Ilenpie. I have had ringing in my ears every day after losing almost all of the hearing in my left ear - suddenly in 2011. This was about 3 years after placement of my titanium dental implant. The ear affected is on the same side as my implant. I was diagnosed with a chronic case of Lyme disease several months following my hearing loss, but I am still searching for answers... I have a hunch that my implant is playing a role in all of this.

Since the hearing loss, I have had all of my mercury fillings safely replaced with non-mercury materials, had an infected tooth (root canaled) extracted right next to the implant and have been to 4 oral surgeons about having the implant removed. Not one of them is willing to do this, including Dr. C in Philadelphia - who does not think my health would improve once it is removed based on his experience of implant removals. He even thinks it might be traumatic to my jaw to remove it.

But how can all of my symptoms be explained? I have buzzing, tingling, burning, bug crawling sensations, and sometimes extreme jaw and dental pain all in this area. (I also have these symptoms all over my body now, but definitely more pronounced in my left jaw).

My body is testing high in aluminum and cadmium (not sure what is causing this!) I also have the MTHFR defect so am very concerned about the heavy metals in my body. My levels are coming down for mercury and arsenic after chelating gently over the past year or two. But I am very concerned about the high levels of aluminum and cadmium and will be chelating these ASAP.

I have recently started some strong Lyme herbs and Rife treatment after failing to see any improvement with antibiotics and other herbs. The new treatment is definitely affecting me - as I have more fatigue, flu-like symptoms which are likely Jarish Herxheimer reactions. The interesting thing is that my tinnitus seems to be calming down soon after the Rife treatments. But I have become much more symptomatic in the vicinity of my left jaw and ear. I am just waiting for the implant to fall out of the bone one day with all of the symptoms I have that are not visible in xrays and cat scans!

Does anyone here know how I could go about finding out the exact make up of the titanium implant that I had placed? If I called the oral surgeon who did the surgery (I would never go back to him), do you think they would have the records as far back as 2008? I want to find out if it contains aluminum and cadmium!

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[terrybrown12](#) Aug 18, 2014

Yes they should have the records. Also if you want to get it removed its best for the surgeon to know the type of implant. I had mine put in 2008 and they still had the records. I really had to rely on my intuition to have mine removed as I was not getting the support from anyone except my husband and the two dentists I eventually found that supported me. My intuition was right. It was a long journey, and im am glad it is over!

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[smileynow](#) Aug 18, 2014

Hi, terrybrown12! Did your autoimmune issues improve after removal of the titanium implant?

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[smileynow](#) Aug 18, 2014

Your symptoms sound similar to what I had. We had a small amount of toxic mold in our home. The m.d.s who can recognize and treat toxic mold syndrome are few and far between. I had a crawling feeling under the skin, especially on the back and arms. There is a lab test from Realtime Labs in Texas that can test for mycotoxins to see if that is playing a part in affecting your health. Many symptoms have improved since treatment for the mold syndrome.

I still have the implant, but the heavy metal is still placing a burden on my sluggish detoxification system. I know I need to get it out, but traveling is a challenge with environmental sensitivities.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 18, 2014

Also--tea has fluoride in it. I drank tea every morning for 30 years and then after the implant noticed it was making me feel worse. No tea for me.

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[terrybrown12](#) Aug 18, 2014

Yes! I am normal now! :)

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[smileynow](#) Aug 18, 2014

Wow! That is amazing. So the zirconia implant (& cadaver bone?) must agree with you?

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[Bluebird22](#) Aug 19, 2014

I got the information on my implant yesterday. It is mostly titanium, but has 6% aluminum and 4% vanadium. I cannot believe that it is okay to drill something with aluminum into a bone near your brain when they have found a connection between Alzheimer's disease and aluminum. Unbelievable!

Terry, my dentist is totally in agreement with me, but he does not feel qualified to take out my implant because it seems to be so securely in my jawbone. He has given me a couple of names of oral surgeons that he got from his own research that would probably take it out but they are very far from home for me. Also no insurance. So it would cost me quite a bundle with no guarantees. The whole thing is wrong!

Smileynow, I have been on cholestyramine for several months suspecting mold might be a player and it did not seem to make a difference for me. We also moved in January of this year from our home of 20 years into a brand new condo on a slab! So hopefully, there is no mold in my environment now! But I do wonder if perhaps there is a fungus that has set up home in my sinus that has lingered. (I have a cyst directly above the dental implant) My ND is going to look into treating this with lufeneron or a type of VEG spray without the gentamycin, which is harmful to the ear. I have thought about the mycotoxin testing. I have spent so many thousands of dollars on this illness. I just hate to throw it away if I have already been on the cholestyramine and it didn't seem to do much.

Thanks for your suggestions and support!

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[WendyB87](#) Aug 20, 2014

I also had a crawling feeling under my skin, which went away completely when I had my implant removed. I had many many symptoms but like Terry, I'm now normal after removal. The metal my old dentist used on the back of my new crown was definitely a factor and the fact that I had three different metals in my mouth, and the implants, created a galvanization effect that was drawing the metals into my system. If you have other metals in your mouth removing them might help your symptoms until you can get the implant out. Good luck with finding a competent oral surgeon. You can and will get better.

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[Bluebird22](#) Aug 21, 2014

Thanks for this information and for your encouragement. My dentist has offered to replace the crown over my implant with a more compatible material. (He says that he can tell it is a metal crown by the x-ray) That could definitely be a factor. I have used up all my dental benefits for this year so it would cost me quite a bit to have done this fall. I am going to continue treating Lyme, getting the Rife and Ondamed treatments, and then will have the crown replaced early in 2015 if I still cannot find an OS to remove the implant. I would be so happy if this made a difference.

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[WendyB87](#) Aug 21, 2014

It WOULD be great if replacing the crown made a difference! I'm sure you've thought this through but the only drawback would be that if it didn't work you'd be faced with removing the implant and replacing the crown yet again if you chose to use zirconium implants or a bridge (btw, I'm fine with zirconium!). Would your dentist replace the crown now with a non-metal temporary? That would give you a good idea without the added expense. My old dentist replaced my toxic metal crown with the metal Maryland bridge I'd had previously, and I had no relief in the three weeks I gave it, but I've always been curious as to how many of my symptoms would have been relieved if I'd given that a fair trial.

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[Bluebird22](#) Aug 22, 2014

Yes, I hate to throw my money away! To be honest, I've been thinking about not replacing this implant with anything if I have it removed. It is molar #14. I have already lost #15 due to an infection in the tooth and surrounding bone (I developed a fistula in the roof of my mouth that was the tell tale sign). Not sure I want to even try zirconium. A temporary is a good idea though. It would be amazing if that is all I needed. Thank you for your suggestions :-)

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[WendyB87](#) Aug 23, 2014

It's great that you have the option not to replace the implant. If you wanted to do something, you could probably get a zirconium bridge if you teeth to support it on either side to avoid more metal. You could also do nothing, although you'd have some shifting, but that probably wouldn't be the worst thing. My missing teeth are in the front so it's necessary to replace them. I'm just relieved that I've had no reactions to the zirconium and that I

found a good dentist to work with. There's got to be someone out there skilled enough to remove your implant. Don't give up! There is light at the end of this tunnel!

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[Bluebird22](#) Aug 24, 2014

I don't think I could get a bridge, because there would not be any tooth on one side to support it. But still, it is not that visible from the front. So you are right, there would be some shifting and I would not be able to chew on that side with much success. But when I compare these deficits with the life I am living now, I think I would prefer living without the implant. I guess the problem is not knowing for sure that this is my problem and there is a risk involved...

I am going to try chelating all of the heavy metals out of my body in the next few months and then in early 2015, I will get my crown replaced and see if that helps. If I continue to have these symptoms after this, I will probably pursue the implant removal more aggressively (if that is possible!).

Thank you for your support and encouragement!!

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[WendyB87](#) Aug 25, 2014

Ridding yourself of dental metals and regaining your good health is much more important than esthetics or allowing your teeth to shift. Since my ill health, I've been reading a lot about digestion though, and believe that my system was vulnerable before I had the implant due to "leaky gut syndrome" from too many antibiotics, sugar, etc. I've since fixed my digestion, which in addition to removing my implant and crown, has helped me to recover (if you're interested, read the Body Ecology Diet). So, sorry to sound like some kind of momma bird, just make sure you fully chew your food on the one side of your mouth. :)

I know how scary it is to contemplate removing an implant, especially considering the expense of the implant. If you find your not getting better though, I would highly recommend that do it. My symptoms are gone and I don't regret my choice at all. I haven't once wished I left the implant in!

I'm really curious about the metal detoxing your doing. I was rereading Mark Hyman's book, The Ultramind Solution and he talks about the prescription agent DMSA. I've only used zeolite, which may be sufficient, but I'm wondering if you know of something else?

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[jodiett](#) Aug 26, 2014

Be careful about chelating while you still have metals in your mouth - the metals will still be leaking into your system so you may not notice healing effects .. and with mercury I was told chelating while it's still in your fillings will suck even more of it out from your teeth into your bod.

As far as shifting teeth are concerned I think it might depend on the amt of bone you have under adjacent teeth. I had a molar out 18 mo's ago & an implant out 4 mo's ago and nothing has visibly shifted so far. One of my dentists was discussing a patient whose teeth had not shifted 'til 10 years after an extraction.

I'm looking a Duraflex flexible partial with ceramic teeth - tested loads of different materials & those are 2 of the few that don't make my mouth burn.

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[Bluebird22](#) Aug 26, 2014

I am seeing a naturopath who uses several gentle and safe methods for chelation. But she is very concerned about the cadmium and aluminum in such high concentrations in my body. Because of this, she wants me to see an integrative physician who specializes in chelation. From what I understand he uses DMSA, EDTA and other chelating agents intravenously - but I don't know what he will want to use on me until I meet with him. I believe a lot depends on your levels and other health factors.

I just had the last of all of my mercury fillings replaced, so I am in pretty good shape that way. In fact, my mercury levels have come down in the last 2 years, but are still a bit high. I am also very high in arsenic! It seems my body is having trouble detoxing these metals! I have the MTHFR genetic mutation and wonder if that is playing a role.

I don't sweat much anymore when I exercise and sweating is a really important way to detox. Lyme has probably messed with my endocrine system. I think it messes with so many things. So there will be many steps to feeling better for me. I hope I am on the right path.

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[jodiett](#) Aug 27, 2014

lots of support & discussion re Lyme & detox on Planet Thrive [planetthrive.com](#) - worth dropping by ;) How did you find out about your MTHFR mutation?

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[WendyB87](#) Aug 27, 2014

I missed the fact that your mouth burns when I first read your post. I haven't read many people state their mouths burn related to the titanium implants, but, that was the first sign I had that I was in trouble after I had my crown placed. I didn't have my crowns placed until a year after I had the implants. With the implants, I started to get headaches and had nausea but several weeks after I had the crowns put in, my mouth started to burn something terrible. As soon as the crowns were placed, they felt dull and odd to my tongue. I have no doubt that the burning and many of the other symptoms were due to either the crowns or a combination of the crowns and implants. It took me almost a year to be able to handle resin temps or the invisalign I'm doing now. At first, the resin temps stung my tongue and the invisalign created red striations on my gums.

A good but conventional oral surgeon (friend of family) also pointed out that the combination of the metals was most likley causing galvanization. Do you have any other metals in your mouth (including the titanium?) I believe it takes three metals for the galvanization effect to occur.

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[jodiett](#) Aug 28, 2014

No metals left apart from a post in a root canal deep under a crown. The tissue around it is apparently dead so not likely to be interracting in any way but who knows. My specialist also discovered someone has left a tiny broken metal file in a root canalled tooth - that was decades ago - didn't tell me of course - that's still there. If they tried to remove either I would lose the teeth apparently.

Interesting you were able to tolerate invasalign eventually. It was in the back of my mind that maybe I was hoping for too much to deal with denture material so soon after the titanium implant was removed, but I have so many years of weird reactions to things which made no sense I just accepted this was another. I finally have a specialist diagnosis of mast cell activation disorder last month (not the worse sort which is Mastocytosis, but the more difficult to diagnose sort- of course! taken 17 years to get there!)

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[jodiett](#) Aug 28, 2014

oops sorry I just realised u were talking to Bluebird !

Still would love to know how you got the MTHFR mutation diagnosed? I've seen this come up a few times for those with multiple chemical sensitivities..

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[Bluebird22](#) Aug 28, 2014

I went to a neurologist who sees a lot of Lyme patients and he helped me figure out the MTHFR mutation with some blood work. I sent away for the 23andme genetic profile testing kit as well. I have been on Planet Thrive a

number of times. (thank you for suggesting though :-)) There are so many people out there struggling with this illness. It is like living a nightmare because the mainstream medical community does not even recognize it. Instead, we are accused of our symptoms being in our head or seeking attention! The incredible thing is that for 57 years of my life when this all hit me, I had gone for decades without needing any meds except an occasional advil! I exercised daily, ate a healthy Mediterranean diet, had gone back to school to get my master's degree and I was enjoying my life, giving back to society by helping others. Whatever it is that has hit me has turned my life upside down.

I took heavy duty antibiotics for a year after my diagnosis, but have not gotten any relief. I theorize that perhaps some of the bacteria and biofilms are hiding out in the area of my implant and perhaps that is why I am so symptomatic in that area. I have tingling, crawling and odd sensations elsewhere too, but my symptoms are most intense near my left ear that has gone deaf and the nearby implant. 24/7 horrid tinnitus too :-(((( I hope we will figure it out soon. Thanks for listening to me complain!

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[jodiett](#) Aug 29, 2014

Similar story here - was never ill! 'til MCS hit me in my late 40's. Now \*everything\* I have to do to get by in the 21st century is a fight & a struggle. I help to run the Environmental Illness Resource so I see so much damage being done to people, suicides even. I think there will be critical mass soon, a good few of us are now getting MCAD diagnosis for MCS..MCAD is an 'official' condition & MCS is not yet. It is only just lately we have come under this heading & mainstream specialists giving this diagnosis ask their patients "what kicked this off?" Often it's some massive exposure to environmental toxins. I really think a picture is going to emerge soon of how we're destroying our biology with overdoses of artificial chems, inappropriate implant materials etc., -our bodies don't have the ability to recognise these toxins & to deal with them properly, so they can cause terrible mayhem.

Zeolite is used a lot to detox heavy metals, but no sure it removes titanium, I've emailed a few companies for info on that but no reply..

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[WendyB87](#) Aug 29, 2014

You two are obviously more informed about MCS than I am, so this may be a naive question, but have you looked into the Body Ecology Diet? My chemical sensitivities started in my mid-forties and culminated ten years later when my mouth felt like it was on fire due to the titanium implants and crowns. I've been following BOD's principals on and off for about a year and sensitivities are improving immensely. I was getting so bad it really scared me but now I can tolerate plastic in my mouth, smelling mild perfumes (I don't wear them), and traffic fumes to some extent. Sherry Rogers books helped me too, especially her "detox cocktail," which I take daily. It's a combo of reduced glutathione (400-800mg), Lipoic Acid (300-600 mg), and a teas vitamin C powder (I use caps). When my symptoms were acute, I could feel them lessen within an hour of taking this combo.

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[smileynow](#) Aug 30, 2014

You can read quite a bit about the dental cavitations caused by routine extractions & root canals on [biologicaldentalhealth](#). They are implicated in MCS as well as other ailments.

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[jodiett](#) Aug 30, 2014

Yes I looked at it, seemed to remember it involved low carbs which I do very badly at (the only diet I couldn't follow back in my experimental days) . Also I can't take supplements at all - herbal/ probiotics/vits - apart from v low dose liquid vit/mins.

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[jodiett](#) Aug 30, 2014

I had a sort of 'scan' once for these cavitations which suggested I had some - my alt.dentist then did a minor op to remove what he thought was necrotic tissue under some molars. Didn't make any difference to my health tho, unlike having the mercury amalgams removed, which made an immediate difference.

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[jodiett](#) Aug 30, 2014

If anyone wants to post any of this on <http://www.ei-resource.org/> you are welcome to do that - makes for more awareness, it comes up quite high in google searches ;)

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[Bluebird22](#) Aug 30, 2014

I've had dental cavitation treatment with ozone injections for several weeks. It did not seem to help, unfortunately. Also have gone gluten free, dairy free, sugar free with little difference in my bothersome

symptoms. But I did feel better with less bloating! Fortunately for me, I do not suffer from MCS. That must be so very challenging.

Interestingly, my ND just ordered me a nasal spray (VEG spray) from a compounding pharmacy. It contains EDTA to break down biofilms and 2 antibiotics. One of them is very 'ototoxic' (damaging to the ears) so the pharmacist replaced that with difulcan as an antifungal. This spray is doing something in there that no meds have done!!! I can literally feel and hear something sizzling in my sinus, skull and face. My tinnitus is quieting down and there is an odd smell in my nose, like chemicals and garbage (gross I know!). I have some mild flu-like symptoms. I hope this means my immune system is fighting for me. I wonder if the spray is helping to dissolve that cyst over my implant. I will keep you posted!

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[jodiett](#) Aug 30, 2014

oo that is interesting, never heard of an antibiotic nose spray, or an antifungal one come to that. Yes keep us posted. I'm off to my GP next week as it happens due to sinus infection I've had for 7 weeks, soon as I stop the salt washes it's back with a vengeance..was going to ask if there's such a thing as an antibiotic nose spray! I can't tolerate oral antibiotics or oral antifungals, both send me into shock, but topical stuff not so bad.

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[AbsoluteBeginner](#) Sep 12, 2014

I met a friend yesterday who lives abroad and I see only once a year. She couldn't stop commenting of how different, healthy and energetic I looked this summer. And with a different, much healthier skin colour. The last time she saw me I still had the implant.

I am posting this because I am so sick of the doctors, who were saying that I was imaging it and that my symptoms were due to stress, age, menopause beginning (at 39?!!!) or another illness, but not the implant. So, no, I didn't imagine or fake the fatigue, headaches, panic attacks and the general sense of feeling weak, sick, and slowly poisoned. It took me years to convince myself and a doctor to remove the nasty thing. The medical community has a lot to learn.

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[Ilenepic](#) Sep 13, 2014

Anyone with complaints or problems with their dental implants should call the FDA to provide that information so there can be documentation of those issues. Were you warned not to use fluoride because it corrodes the implant? Let the FDA know your health issues that you experienced after the implants.

Phone for FDA consumer complaints of FDA-regulated products (includes dental implants) here:  
<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/ReportaProblem/ConsumerComplaintCoordinators/ucm2008077.htm>

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[IlenePie](#) Sep 15, 2014

I saw an ENT who said that my developing tinnitus 3 weeks after getting a titanium dental implant was coincidental and the implant had nothing to do with 24/7 ringing in my ears. I have no doubt a doctor will tell me the joint pain I developed 7 weeks after getting the implant is also coincidental.

It's fascinating how many people have similar symptoms after implants and they're all "coincidental" to their recently getting implants. BS.

I was in very good health before the implant, now I'm having health issues. I'm not risking my health further and will ask the surgeon to take it out.

Shameful. Titanium putting people's health at risk. My mother's surgeon for her hip plant said they used to have many issues with titanium hip plants and that's why they switched to ceramic hip implants, which don't produce the problems titanium did.

Everyone don't use fluoride toothpaste! It will corrode your implant and send titanium leaching into the body. Many published studies on this.

Removing metal from mouth helps many. Study:  
<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/12500173>

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[maccat05](#) Sep 23, 2014

Hello!

I'm just jumping in this but if anyone can give me any info?! My brother got several surgeries (spine and knees) almost 2 years ago. He has been having severe health issues since then. I am desperately trying to find a Dr. in the US who specializes in metal allergies. If anyone can give me any information or references, I would be extremely appreciative! Thank you!

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[smileynow](#) Sep 27, 2014

The Environmental Health Center in Dallas can test for metal allergies. You can also look into the Melisa test or a lymphocyte transformation test from Orthopedic Analysis. My experience is that even with a positive test

from Melisa or Orthopedic Analysis the dentists would sooner wipe their behinds with the test results that believe the implants are contributing to ill health, especially if it looks like a surgery could possibly leave you worse off.

Your brother may be able to take injections to desensitize himself to the titanium, or the implant may have caused 'implant syndrome' where the implant serves as the tipping point at increasing other pre-existing sensitivities. The Environmental Health Center in Dallas has a protocol for that. I have not been there myself, but have read about it.

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[natslondon](#) Oct 01, 2014

Hi

I had a dental implant in May of this year and it took me 4 months to realise the correlation between my declining health and my implant.

My symptoms were/are sore chest muscles/intercostals (I was diagnosed with costochondritis and anxiety through this period as doctors did not know what was wrong with me), anxiety, foggy brain, sensitivity to light/music, sore/stiff legs and arms, fatigue, back acne and most frightening a tremor that goes from my jaw and spreads to my arm. The tremor only developed after the crown was placed (the combination of cobalt chromium and sealing the implant was the straw that broke the camels back). I had the implant removed last Tuesday (23 Sep 14) and felt almost immediate relief.

One week on and I am feeling about 70% better. The tremor has subsided but is still present.

It is difficult not to get overly worried about these symptoms as googling them leads to all sorts of scary conditions such as Parkinson's and MS.

I know some people have had success post implant removal but I was wondering if anyone could lead me through a time line of their recovery so that I can know what to expect without freaking out and before I bombard the doctor again to make her test for what could be possible long term side effects from the implant. Any help would me much appreciated.

Thanks

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[smileynow](#) Oct 06, 2014

It sounds like your are feeling much better already! From what I understand it is a build up of toxins that is causing trouble. Have you tried supplements such as liposomal glutathione from Readisorb and timed release vitamin C? There are other detoxing supplements you can read about as well.

I have been helped quite a bit from using an infrared sauna (Therasauna), and sitting in the sun 20 minutes per day to help reset the immune system. It all is a matter of decreasing the total load of toxins your body has to deal with and assisting it with the detoxification process.

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[kwalc](#) Oct 08, 2014

Please can I have the name of this oral surgeon Thx. Karen

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[kwalc](#) Oct 08, 2014

I need the name of a good oral surgeon in New york to remove my implant. The 3 d scan shows the implant is only 2ml away from the nerve and zi could be left permanently numb in my mouth from the removal

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[KatyN23](#) Oct 10, 2014

it's starting, folks! melisa medica foundation facebook;leading implantologist of more than 50 yrs standing, dr jean paul davidas admits he's seriously concerned that metal ions from implants can cause serious health problems. this in an interview to dental tribune magazine.I wonder if he'll set up a fund from his ample profits over 50 yrs poisoning patients to compensate them for the stress+ suffering they endured? 3months after having all mine ripped out my asthma is slowly loosening up, but I still haven't recovered all my strength.I'm doing the dr robert morse detox with graduates here in england of his detox school, herbs, raw fruit, veg +juices to get my lymphatic system moving.friend of mine, not english, inquired if I'd got all the plutonium out of my teeth yet!

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[natslondon](#) Oct 17, 2014

FINALLY! This needs to become public knowledge!!!!

This thread honestly saved my life in my darkest times and has encouraged me to really speak about my experience with as many people as possible. It has resulted in 5 people, through friends and friends of friends tracing their unexplained illness/depression/fatigue to the source- their mental implants.

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[dnfl5x](#) Oct 24, 2014

I have unexplained high blood pressure but also with mercury present. I am health freak and a pro--obvious eating al the right things and eating taking the right supplements. Anything that is a net stressor on the system



can and is likely to increase bp. I was desensitized to the allergy of the titanium--but the negative affects of the implant are with me after eight years of bad health despite respites of good health that did not last.

My bio dentist now agrees with me and rejected the opinion of another bio dentist in his same office that advocated immediate removal of the implant. By ART--it is hurting me in unknown and substantial ways.

I surely hope I can remove it without shattering my jawbone.

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[terrybrown12](#) Oct 24, 2014

Mine came out easy after 4 years. You just need to fine the right surgeon.

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[dnf15x](#) Oct 26, 2014

Trying to do the surgery asap. My life has been a wreck since it was installed. I need all the help and info I can get re the device you describe--by upper jawbone is very delicate and one fears it will crack--it is close to the sinus joint and bone grafts will be required--where do they get the bone? From my mouth?

David

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[natslondon](#) Nov 04, 2014

Hi Terry

Have you started a blog? I am really interested in this and would be happy to contribute.

Thanks

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 05, 2014

No time to start a blog just yet, though one is desperatly needed or a website. Its on my to do list!

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[Leela1002](#) Nov 16, 2014

Hello natslondon,

I am just about to have my implant out. Could you tell me more about how it was for you? Did it go easily? I have mine in since March 2014, having several symptoms 4 days after the implant was put in. I had strange dizziness, head symptoms and imbalance towards the left side where the implant is actually. Here in Hungary the dentists and surgeons try to frighten me, that it is so complicated to bring it out, and also denying that it can be from the implant. They simply do not want to have this case in their clinical record. Please tell me how the removal was? If they do not do it here for me, I am prepared to go to England.

Thank you so much!

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[Leela1002](#) Nov 16, 2014

Hi Terry,

Ahh, it is good to hear about cases where the implant came out easy. I have the feeling that the dentists and surgeons try to frighten me here in Hungary, so that I would decide not to do it, so that my case will not be in the clinical medical record...

Could you tell me which tooth it was?

Mine is upper left 5th.

I would love to find a good surgeon.

Thank you!

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 17, 2014

I had two a back tooth and upper front right. It is crucial you have someone remove it that is confident and knows what they are doing.

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[natslondon](#) Nov 21, 2014

Hi. I had mine removed by the dentist that put it in. He had never taken one out before and was hesitant as it has fused to the bone. It came out very easily and other than some pain for a week after my mouth has healed completely.

It's the neurological side effects that I am struggling to get rid of.

Good luck and let me know how it goes.

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[terrybrown12](#) Nov 22, 2014

Hi,  
I found the neurological issues took some time, but did resolve with healthy living and detox habits.  
Terry

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[natslondon](#) Nov 25, 2014

Now I have the Neuro saying that I have occipital neuralgia, which I guess is in line with all the inflammation that I had due to the allergic reaction to the metal.  
Sick and tired of being sick and tired, I try to stay positive but it feels like every few weeks I just crash!  
Can't help the mind wondering into dark places and thinking it is something else.  
But the metal makes all the sense!

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[Sofia5555](#) Dec 12, 2014

Hi could you please message me the details of your dentist. I am in the same problem, I haven't slept for 3 nights due to the pain and dentist says he cannot do anything and I have to wait. Am in toooooo much pain. Finding a good dentist is very difficult. Please help me

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 20, 2014

<http://www.robertgammal.com/OtherPages/Implants.html>

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[terrybrown12](#) Dec 20, 2014

<http://americasimplantdentist.com/dental-implants-dangerous/>

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[Bluebird22](#) Jan 07, 2015

I am getting my implant out next week! I returned to one of the 4 oral surgeons who saw me last spring and he agreed with me, that if he had to live with the symptoms I have been putting up with the last few years, he would probably want to try getting it out as well.

He makes no guarantees that I will feel better, but at least he is going to give it a try. My dentist was so happy to hear this. I had some other dental work done this week and my dentist wanted to see if my metal crown over the implant might have been contributing to my symptoms. With my permission, he took off the crown. Now all I have is the abutment sticking out. Unfortunately, it did not improve things.

I am going to use a kit from Dental DNA to test the tissue and saliva near the abutment to see if there are any pathogens that might be keeping me ill. It tests for over 90 viruses, bacteria and fungi. I also have a homeopathic doctor/dentist who is going to concoct a remedy for me using the extracted implant following the surgery to help me to heal. After going through this all these years, my mind is more open to these types of interventions...

I will be sedated for the procedure. The oral surgeon said he will use a type of drill that goes around the implant making it easier to come out. He feels it is likely I will need a bone graft to repair the hole in my sinus this is likely to create. I have a large cyst directly above the implant, which seems to penetrate into my sinus. Praying everything will go smoothly. I will keep you posted!

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[studiotea](#) Jan 10, 2015

What a wonderful thread this is! I have also been trying to find a reason for fatigue, brain fog and other symptoms and only now I realised that this may have something to do with my titanium implant. I had a bad gum infection about a week ago and then realised that the gum in front of the implant has been "eaten" so the screw is quite clearly visible.

I had my implant installed about 12 years ago so it's been there for a long time. I was considering changing it to a zirconia implant, but so you think it'd be better just to have the implant taken out and leave it like that? One doctor said he could take the titanium implant off and install a zirconia implant at the same time (if bone graft is needed). Would this sound like a possible and good method? Or is it better to have the implant taken out and let it heal properly?

I've also read about a specific tool for removing the implant, does anyone know about that? Dr. Kazemi has

some videos about this so I was wondering if this would be the best way to get the implant out? I don't mind traveling to US if this is needed for the safest possible operation.

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[Bluebird22](#) Jan 10, 2015

I wish I wrote down the name of the tool, but the oral surgeon who is going to do my implant removal said it is like the miniature version of a tool that is used to put a door knob in a door. It makes a hole around the implant so it is easier to get out. I hope it is simple and not complicated. It is 2 days away so hopefully I will be writing with good news soon.

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[lyndhurst76](#) Jan 11, 2015

Hi, there is a fairly new tool out to remove implants now. It has been in use for a couple of years. If you look up osseoneeds website and click shop it is featured. It unscrews the implant a bit like reversing a screw out of wood I think. The idea is not to remove any bone only implant. I have implants I would like removed finding someone to do it is the problem!! I follow dental xp forum and they are always saying 'back the implant out with the removal tool' but this an American site and I am in the UK. I have had my implants for 13 years now and have massive bone loss and gum loss but the b things wont fall out!! Years ago implants were trephined out but things have progressed lets hope this new tool becomes standard procedure for easy implant removal. I think it may be called the Neobiotech removal tool.

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[studiotea](#) Jan 11, 2015

Thank you for your messages! I think the Neobiotech removal tool is indeed the name of the tool, although there may be other similar ones as well. There's a dentist in Bulgaria, who obviously does this. You can find his contact info from CeraRoot's web page. I may also send the info in a private message if needed (I don't know it's allowed here). I would assume that there would be someone in UK, but I don't know. I also know that Dr. Kazeemi does these in the US.

But what do you think, is putting a zirconia implant still a risk so would it be safer to just leave the place open? This would mean the risk of bone loss (due to no exercise to the bone) and teeth shifting, but at least there wouldn't be an implant for the body to reject.

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[studiotea](#) Jan 13, 2015

So obviously no-one has opinions about whether it'd be better to put the zirconia implant or to leave the place open? I know this is a difficult question and I'm sorry to get back to the topic with another post.

I'm just trying to make the right decision this time and I really don't know where to search for more info, as I've already spent a lot of time by going through different sites.

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[terrybrown12](#) Jan 14, 2015

I was having trouble logging in as usual! I had two zirconium placed and am very happy. You will most likely need a bone graft before it can be placed. Feel free to message or email me.

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[terrybrown12](#) Jan 14, 2015

How are you doing?!

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[lyndhurst76](#) Jan 15, 2015

Hi, I am not sure about everyone else but for me personally I think it depends a lot on age, finances and the worry that it may all go wrong again. I was told the implants would not cause any pain and last a lifetime. Titanium that is. I am in my mid 60's and to be honest going back to an upper denture after 13 years of problems would be a relief. Now that is just my view and I know I would not take a chance again. I hope you make the right decision for you.

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[studiotea](#) Jan 17, 2015

Thank you so much for your mails terrybrown 12 and lyndhurst76! Did you have titanium implants at first or were the zirconia implants the first ones you got? If you had titanium implants first how were they removed? Did the dentist use the specific tool for that?

If I do need a bone graft I'll have some more time to consider putting the zirconia implant in. I mean I would need a few months to get the area healed before I could consider a new implant.

But if it is possible to put a zirconia implant immediately after removing the titanium one I wonder if an immediate replacement would be a better option? Would this possibly avoid the need of bone graft? Or would it be better to fill the hole and let it heal before another implant? I'm thinking that with good luck it might be possible (at least in theory) to use the new tool to get the old one out and then just stick the new implant in and let it heal. Of course that's the ideal movie version, real life may be another story :)

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[terrybrown12](#) Jan 17, 2015

Hi, if you check the thread my entire story is on here. :) Best to not try to place the zirconium till there is nice strong bone. We tried that for one of mine and it failed.

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[studiotea](#) Jan 17, 2015

Hi,

Thank you again! Yes, I read all your posts in the first three or four pages of this thread and it gave so much helpful info! I will continue reading this thread, I'm planning to start from the beginning, but with over 1200 replies it's gonna take some time :)

In one of your messages you mentioned that you got a very informative reply from your dentist to the article you sent him and that you'd be ready to send it if someone is interested. Do you still have that reply and would you still be ready to do that kind of a service? Would we need to exchange private messages to get each other's email addresses?

After reading your messages I think there's quite much in common between our cases. I used to be a healthy guy, doing great socially and career-wise, but during the last decade a lot has happened in that sense. I've also never given up and have been doing my best in life, but it sure is different with something like this. I've also been researching a lot and have been following a candida diet for about a year and it has helped quite much, but it's still a long way to go.

I started to think what's happened during the last ten years or so and I'm pretty sure my problems are a combination of the following things:

1. Lots of mercury ingested (especially 11 years ago before having an implant installed)
2. A titanium implant (11 years ago)

### 3. Candida

I have been trying to deal with candida, but it just leaves me so tired. I've read that candida binds a lot of mercury so killing candida may make the mercury poisoning worse. That's why I think the correct order is to get the implant out, then do chelation and then keep on dealing with candida.

You also said your bone graft was done with a 100% biocompatible material, may I still ask what this is? Thank you so much! I'm really glad to see you're feeling much better, I'm also on my (slow) way and determined to share my good news here in a year or two :)

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[terrybrown12](#) Jan 18, 2015

Hi, I got your message. Would you kindly send the above message to my email terrybrown12atAOLdotcom Much easier to respond to you there.  
Thanks!

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[Bluebird22](#) Jan 23, 2015

I had my titanium implant removed on Jan. 12. The oral surgery went well and I have had no complications or problems so far with the post surgery healing. I wish I could report that my symptoms have all disappeared, but unfortunately, they have worsened. The tinnitus is louder and the burning and tingling in my skull and face are more pronounced, but I think there is a lot of inflammation in there so I need to give it some time.

I wish I could give you all better news, but I am not sorry I did this. I think in the long run, I will feel good about getting that metal out of my jaw bone and so close to my brain.

I had the implant analyzed by Dental DNA and 3 different bacteria were found as well as candida! So the post above mine is very well timed! I will write again to update you all. Hopefully with good news! I got a bone graft but luckily, the surgery did not create an opening in my sinus, which we feared. I don't plan on doing anything to replace the implant in the near future. Probably never!

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[Leela1002](#) Jan 26, 2015

Hi dear Ones!



Finally, I have found someone to take out my implant in Salzburg. The surgeon, to whom I was taken by a friend, was even excited, because they have just received this new drill going around the implant. Bluebird22 was also mentioning this. I am having my operation on the 10th of February (upper, left, 5 tooth). By the way, I was also glad to see, that here they did not fight with me at all, it seems like that they are accepting these kinds symptoms related to titanium dental implant..my dizziness, panick attacks, weak left side where the implant is... Now there is a new term in dentistry, he said: EXPLANTATION. Oh, I will let you know how it went!Keep your fingers crossed. I am already thankful for another Austrian Homeopathic doctor, who had started working on my symptoms two months ago, although they did not disappear, but at least I have the strength both mentally and physically for the operation. :)

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[Leela1002](#) Jan 26, 2015

Hi!

I have just posted on the wall...having my operation on the 10th of February.  
Will be back afterwards....I am so grateful for this forum! Love to you all!

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[terrybrown12](#) Jan 26, 2015

Happy for you Leela!!!

Bluebird, I feel strongly you will improve with time. :)

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[natslondon](#) Jan 29, 2015

I cannot express how thankful I am for this entire thread. It really changed (and saved, in many ways) my life. It is also so good to see how in the last few months the change in approach of dentists and the industry as a whole. My neurological symptoms have subsided and I am ready to get back into shape and fighting fit. I will keep checking back here and I am keen in perhaps writing an article just to get this information out further. Those that are still suffering- stay strong, it takes time

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[terrybrown12](#) Jan 30, 2015

What wonderful news, I am so happy for you!!

If you are like me it will just take time to heal completely then you will be better than ever because you are taking good care of yourself!

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[studiotea](#) Feb 01, 2015

Yes, this is a wonderful thread so thank you all and especially lovely people like terrybrown12 who have used their valuable time to help me!

I will have my titanium implant removed in March and I still need to decide whether or not to replace the titanium implant with a zirconia implant or if I should just leave the place open. If I do go for the implant I also need to decide if I should have a MELISA test for the zirconia implant or if I can just assume that it won't be necessary. Does anyone know how common it is to reject zirconia?

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[terrybrown12](#) Feb 05, 2015

My dentist has been replacing zirconia after removing the titanium and none have failed. These are all people that had trouble with the titanium.

I guess it is always a possibility. Dr Robert Marshall QRA, has found them to be compatible with the body and has two himself. You can google him to learn more.

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[PT105](#) Feb 07, 2015

Hi everyone. I wish I had found this site before having two more titanium implants 5 months ago. I am very grateful to have found it now and have read through the entire thread during these past two days. Here is my story in brief.

I had had post-encephalitis CFS for a couple decades before getting an implant in 2000. Because I was already not well (though much more functional than after that) and most of the strange new symptoms that started developing around that time developed slowly and insidiously or appeared to be otherwise unrelated, I did not recognize a potential connection.

Nor when the implant was failing and I had it removed last year did I notice any improvement in my health. In fact it had gotten somewhat worse for awhile. For those reasons it did not occur to me to not replace it or seek a dentist who could do zirconia instead of titanium.

Since bone grafting on one side of my jaw and placement of 2 implants on the other last year (both lower jaw), a number of symptoms escalated over the next several months: lethargy, systemic tingling, buzzing, vibrating

sensation, neuropathy, including loss of feeling in my fingertips (permanent), feeling of pressure around my chest and reduced lung function, word finding and general depressed mental functions, bleeding, burning nose, dry burning eyes, tendonitis, pain and slight weakness in my thumbs.

These were not new symptoms, but they became worse and worse over the next several months following the surgeries, and the bleeding nose had not been a problem for about 8 years. Some of my immune function tests had also worsened in this period.

I cancelled several of the next appointments because I was feeling too sick, but feeling slightly better this week, went ahead with abutment placing. First of all, I noticed they do not look the color of titanium. And second, the nervous system symptoms and neuropathy are now worse than even after the first surgeries, and this time I can be almost certain it is not because of drug effects. The anesthetic has had 4 days to work its way out, and Tylenol for one day too, and I didn't even use an antibiotic this time.

I will be contacting the periodontist (post-grad) at the dental school who placed the implants about having them removed. I hope I do not have a problem getting a surgeon there to remove them. The dentist who placed them had expressed concerns about my health following the surgeries and had actually encouraged me to wait until I felt better to continue. I got the impression she may have developed some misgivings herself about whether I should continue? I will have a better idea when I speak with her.

So getting a surgeon to remove them asap will be my first priority.

I do not live anywhere near a biological dentist except for one who was interested in my money exclusive of my health when, a few years back, I was experiencing destructive periodontal infections related to malpractice elsewhere - I lost a healthy tooth as a result.

Does anyone know of any in the Boston/South Boston or Albany, NY areas who do zirconia? I may not be able to afford (2-4 of) them after this fiasco, but since I am missing all posterior teeth on the bottom, having to rely on a partial will mean never being able to eat much normal food again, so I feel compelled to at least look into it.

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[IlenePie](#) Feb 07, 2015

You can report to the FDA online your complaint that you developed tinnitus or any other problem following your dental implant. See the link below and on the right side of the FDA page start your complaint as a consumer. How else will they know there are problems with these implants? Please note if it was titanium or ceramic implant in your complaint. Mine is titanium. I developed tinnitus 3 weeks after the implant and in 7 months since the single implant was put in have developed other health problems. I had no health problems before the implant. The implant is a medical device and regulated by the FDA. You may have to copy the link into your browser. We need to report this to the FDA to help ourselves and others.

<https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/medwatch/>

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[PT105](#) Feb 08, 2015

Thank you for the link, Ilenepie! I had been thinking about that as I read through the comments here. It is so important that we report our experiences.

Can you describe the health problems you have developed since your implant?

These are some of the early symptoms I recall that began around the time of my first implant: thumb weakness, long ropey saliva, palpitations and weakness with exertion, worse fatigue, GI pain followed by IBS, a feeling of unreality and disconnection, skin problems, chronic back and neck pain, cold pruritis, feeling suddenly ill and weak after about 15 minutes of moderate treadmill use.

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[Janosha](#) Feb 10, 2015

Hi,

I just came across this thread. I have been having upper jaw pain right by my titanium implant. I have addressed this issue with my dentist and he keeps telling me that it is due to my tooth behind it but the pain comes right from where the implant is. He wants to do a unnecessary root canal, but I keep telling him that it hurts when i push up on the implant. I have been sick within the last month ad it made me wonder if it was due to the implant. Can anyone send me in the rights direction. Is there something else I can replace this titanium implant?

Thank you so much

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[lewisremington](#) Feb 17, 2015

I have been wondering lately what kind of dental implant would be right for me. I didn't know there were so many options with metals to choose, and that each one could have a different result. Do you know if there is a test that can be done to see which metal would be right for you?

-Lewis

<http://georgiandental.ca/dental-implants/benefits-of-dental-implants.aspx>

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[PT105](#) Feb 18, 2015

Janosha - I just saw your question and do not know if you've done anything yet, but if it were me I would have the implant removed and replaced with a bridge. Bridges used to be a common and are not as bad a solution as they're made out to be IMO.

Another option, if you prefer, is to replace the metal implant with zirconia, depending on how much you want to spend and how near you are to a surgeon who uses them.

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[PT105](#) Feb 18, 2015

Lewis - If a single tooth is missing, IMO the solution with which you are least apt to run into complications is a fixed bridge, in which the teeth on either side are crowned and bridged with another crown called a pontic. This is assuming you use high grade "noble" metal that you are not allergic to or all zirconia.

A test called Melisa is supposed to be able to identify metal allergies. I am not familiar enough with it to be able to recommend one way or another.

Implants made of metal, even highest grade titanium, are potentially more risky to your health than zirconia, but far more available: It appears that many dentists in the US are not yet trained in placing zirconia implants and therefore do not offer them.

Anyone considering implants should familiarize themselves with potential problems with the metals and with the placement of them as reported by real people, and not just what is reported in the literature, and then decide for themselves what they are comfortable with.

This thread is about people who have had problems with their health following placement of titanium implants, so there may be a built-in bias to the advice and experiences you will find here.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Feb 20, 2015

A question for people who have had metal dental implants removed and had their health improve--did you have issues at the site itself? I do not have any issues at the implant site, but I've had a world of other serious symptoms for 5 months now since my implant was installed. Severe swelling at first, hives, severe joint and muscle pain as time has gone by, shortness of breath at times, feeling extremely fatigued too.

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[terrybrown12](#) Feb 20, 2015

I had no problems at the site.

Had all of the above symptoms you mentioned except hive.

I would remove that implant ASAP if I were you.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Feb 21, 2015

Thanks for the input. My oral surgeon is very willing to remove it, but he also claims there's not one documented case anywhere in the world where the implant caused other problems without also causing problems at the site. I see people saying their health improved after removing the implant, but not much clarification if they also had issues at the site or not. My jaw has taken wonderfully to the implant, but all these other issues came on at the same time and are really severe. We assumed it was a penicillin allergy for the longest time, but I'm five months into this now and none of the symptoms are getting any better. We plan to remove it March 10th.

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[terrybrown12](#) Feb 22, 2015

Hi Everyone,

I would like to introduce you to my oral surgeon, Dr Mehta.

He has been following this thread for a while and he emailed me that he is going to post here and is available to answer questions anyone may have.

How desperately we need a qualified doctor to be a part of our discussions!

Dr Mehta was very open to helping me several years ago when I needed my implant removed. While I was the first implant he removed before doing so he researched extensively and was able to remove two implants successfully.

Since then he has removed many, I am not sure of the number. I personally have sent 3 people to him and they have all had outstanding results.

Dr Mehta has now has all of the state of the art equipment and professional knowledge on removing implants and replacing them with Zirconium.

I really can not recommend his services enough!

Please do not be shy about asking him any questions you many have.

Dr Mehta is a great person all around. All that go to him love him!

Terry

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[terrybrown12](#) Feb 22, 2015

Correction: Dr Mehta is an Endodontist not an oral surgeon. He has had specialty training in oral surgery procedures.

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[studiotea](#) Feb 23, 2015

PT105 asked about a doctor in New York area, who does zirconia. I will be having my titanium implants removed and zirconia ones installed by a doctor Veselin Shumantov, who has practices in New York and Bulgaria. I haven't visited him yet but I've heard a lot of good things about him (and talked to two of his patients) so I have every reason to believe he is a very good option. He also seems to have lots of tools to aid the easiest possible removal of the old implants.

I will have my old implants removed in a couple of weeks so I'd like to ask if anyone knows what material should be used for the bone grafting? I was told the options would be synthetic calcium bone, bovine bone mixed with some natural bone taken from the adjacent area or just one's own bone.

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[PT105](#) Feb 23, 2015

I also had excellent "take" at the implant sites and as stated previously, increased neuropathy and other neurological symptoms, tendonitis, breathing problems/chest discomfort following implants. Maybe increased itching.

Like you I thought it was anything other than the implants at first, but symptoms continued to worsen and never improved to pre-implant level.

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[PT105](#) Feb 23, 2015

I forgot to add increased lethargy to my last post, which has been rather significant also.

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[Ti Removal\\_dentist](#) Feb 23, 2015

I'm new to the board and am hoping to help people answer questions they may have about their titanium implants and wanting them to be removed. I have helped quite a few people with the removal of their implants and will provide a professional opinion to any questions you may have. There is a correct way to remove these implants to preserve the bone. This is a procedure I'm very familiar with and hope to provide help to those who need it.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Mehta

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[Ti Removal dentist](#) Feb 23, 2015

Just make sure he isn't "trephining" the implants out. I would strongly recommend against this. The idea here is that a drill that fits around the implant is used to core out the old implant. This creates trauma to the bone and therefore necessitates a bone graft. The correct method to remove your implants would be to expose them and counter-torque them to remove the implant without any trauma to the bone. Then, I would place Zirconia implants at the same time depending on the size of the removed implants. There are many ways to remove the implants but only one that creates almost NO trauma. Dr. Mehta

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[Ti Removal dentist](#) Feb 23, 2015

I just wanted to shed some light on the physiology behind titanium reactions. The current belief is that the titanium in the implants does not cause a "true" allergic reaction which is why a MELISA allergy test may not reveal a problem. However, that is not to say that there is no adverse reaction in the body to these implants. I recently talked to a very well respected clinician / researcher in the field of metal-free dentistry. Dr. Ralf Luettman practices in Switzerland and is an international speaker on the benefits of ceramic implants. He was trained under the guidance of Professor Branemark who many consider the father of implantology today and has also worked with many leaders in the ceramic implant field. His research shows that there is truly a reaction to titanium implants in certain individuals where the bodies own cells (macrophages) start to destroy the tissues



around the implant. This self-destruction is inflammatory in nature and may be the cause of many systemic issues that patients experience. We know from medical science that inflammation in the body in a chronic state is very much an adverse state of being and inflammation is seen in many conditions such as Rheumatoid arthritis, Lupus, etc... There is a lot of buzz in the media regarding "eating an anti-inflammatory diet" and such as medical professionals know that inflammatory agents are detrimental to the body. So, there is documented research showing an adverse reaction to Titanium in certain individuals - the problem is that this research is very difficult to find.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Feb 23, 2015

Thank you for taking time to post here, it is much appreciated. One question I have is that I show absolutely no signs of any issues whatsoever at the site of my titanium implant, which was implanted 5 months ago. I show a lot of systemic problems that are very pronounced and only showed up after the implant was done. Mostly severe joint and muscle pain, extreme fatigue and hives that are still here (the hives started one week after the implant). I feel very confident in my oral surgeon, he has been very open minded and has helped doing research, and his one hang up is that he says he cannot find one documented case where there were systemic problems but no problems at the implant site itself also. This is a big sticking point for both of us. Do you know of cases where there's been no problems at the site but other problems were being cause by the titanium implant?

I had the Melisa test done, and it came back positive for nickel and vanadium. My surgeon contacted the implant maker and they told him there was no nickel in it. They said there was vanadium, but it was only on the inside part of the screw that was screwed into my jawbone.

Again thanks for taking time to answer questions here, this has been by far the worst experience of my life and very difficult to try to research.

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[MomKD](#) Feb 24, 2015

Hi. I had a titanium dental implant placed 3 weeks ago, at the same time as my tooth extraction. I have had a metal/salty taste in my mouth ever since, which I thought was normal the first week. The oral surgeon and my dentist have never heard of this, so I appear to be crazy. I do not want to place the crown until this clears up, or I find out if I have an allergy. I have looked into the Melisa test. I plan to wait another week or two before taking the test. I don't know if it would be worth it to talk to another oral surgeon at this point. I had no idea such an allergy existed. Thoughts? Suggestions?

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[Smilie52](#) Feb 25, 2015

I saw where you were having your dental implants removed on Feb. 10. How are you doing since you got them removed? My son had 2 dental implant surgery March 2013. Within a couple of months he started having headaches for 3 weeks. Then started having pelvic bladder and pain and urgency to urinate every 15 min. He was 24 yrs. old at the time of surgery always been healthy never had these crazy symptoms until he had his implants in. He has been to neurologist, had Mri, ct scans head to toe. and went to urologist for cystoscopy. Everything came back normal. Urologist said it could be related to nerve problem in his bladder. In October he had his implants removed this was last resort. In November his headaches come back for few 3 weeks again. His bladder problems went away for 3 weeks which is strange but now symptoms has come back again and now having pain in his legs and spine. Are you experiencing are anyone on here still having strange symptoms after having Implants removed? Thinking he has metal toxicity and should be tested. Worried Mom!

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[Smilie52](#) Feb 25, 2015

My son also been having anxiety and panic attacks too! He had his implants removed Oct. 2014. I am praying we get answers soon and hoping from other patients experience we can get to the bottom on what is going on!

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[PT105](#) Feb 25, 2015

Sorry about what your son is going through. Some people take longer to heal, but I am surprised he has not made more recovery by now. Does he have any mercury fillings in his mouth?

He should first be optimizing his diet and nutrition, seeking advice specifically for environmental toxicities and improving immune status in that regard. He may at some point want to look into environmental medicine and environmental, mercury and metal toxicity, if after a few more months, he is still experiencing all these new symptoms. Methylation and chelation are two kinds of therapies often employed in that case.

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[Smilie52](#) Feb 25, 2015

My son doesn't have any mercury fillings. My daughter is also a dentist and 2 years ago she found out she had Mercury toxicity from taking Mercury fillings out of patients. She is better now with the help with naturopathic Dr. She also wears a special mask to protect her to remove fillings. She only uses ceramic fillings in her practice. She wants him to come to Colorado to see her Dr. I and my daughter just feel his symptoms is caused by metal Toxicity. My son has so much anxiety thinking he has Multiple sclerosis. He also been having leg and back pain off and on this week. Thank you for your concern and all your information. How are u doing since your implants removed?

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[Smilie52](#) Feb 25, 2015

I have written several posts about my son. He had his implants removed in March 2013 from the oral surgeon who put them in. He had them remove October 2014. He is still having symptoms. Please read my posts. He had so much anxiety thinking he has MS. I thought his symptoms would get better after implant removal. I'm thinking he has metal toxicity. What would u recommend my son to do? Thanks!

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[terrybrown12](#) Feb 25, 2015

I am going to take a guess that it may be his body reacting to metal toxicity. I too feared greatly I had MS as it felt as if I did. All tests were negative. Once my implants were removed it took about 2 years to completely return to normal. I had to restore balance to my body again. I did so through diet and repairing my gut and other things. Given the fact your son was fine prior to implants and troubles came afterwards is a sure sign it was the implants. Is he seeing any doctors that practice functional medicine?

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[Smilie52](#) Feb 25, 2015

Thank you responding to my posts and encouraging words. My son hasn't been tested for metal toxicity. Did u get tested? He had a MRI last week and came back normal. The neurologist is ordering a spinal tap this week. What kind diet were u and how did u repair your gut? Did u have diagnostic tests to rule out What kind of Dr. Did u see one who specializes in immune system? Im sorry for all the questions. I'm praying my son will get back to normal like you have.

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[terrybrown12](#) Feb 26, 2015

I stopped before the spinal tap because I knew if I did in fact have MS I would work to heal it naturally .I have seen many doctors, chiropractors, Holistic MD's and Functional Medicine MD's. The best conclusion I can offer is our body is a delicate ecosystem and there are many factors at play (toxins everywhere, vaccines, pollutants, GMO foods, mercury and other metal poisonings... ) I believe for me and others getting the titanium implant was the straw that broke the camels back. So... what I did and others I know in my situation was read all we could on safely detoxifying the body and bringing our body ecosystem back to fully functioning through diet, stress reduction, supplements etc. I am happy to share resources with you if you would like to email me. terrybrown12 at aol \*\*\*\*\*.

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[studiotea](#) Feb 26, 2015

Thank you so much for your message and for coming here to share your knowledge and experience! I specifically tried to find a doctor who has these new tools for removing the implant as safely as possible and even though I've lived there in California and that location could be possible for me, I will proceed with the plan to get it done here in Europe. I've already booked the flights and hotels and I do have every reason to believe this doctor is also a very good choice, as I'm certain you would be as well. But I sure know there aren't many of you. I hope you don't mind me asking a couple of more questions:

You mentioned that some people's bodies destroy the tissues around the implants. I've had the implant for 12 years and nowadays the gum around the implant has been "eaten" so the screw can be seen quite clearly. Do you think this is part of what you mean?

My titanium implant will be removed in less than two weeks so what would you recommend for bone grafting if that's needed? I was told it could be synthetic calcium bone, bovine bone mixed with natural bone (from myself) or just my own bone.

Thank you so much!

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[Ti Removal dentist](#) Feb 26, 2015

Most of the implants I have removed have looked very good at the implant site. I do not see as much tissue degradation as you would think or expect. In fact, almost all of the implants that patients report to have caused systemic problems do not exhibit any tissue destruction at all. That is partly why it's such a mystery. You can have two different patients with the same implant and the same tissue profile but have very different effects overall.

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[Ti Removal dentist](#) Feb 26, 2015

You mention that the gum has eroded away exposing the screws. This is NOT what I am referring to. The gingival recession is seen in many implants as well as natural teeth and is a different process than the macrophagic tissue destruction I mentioned in a previous post.

As for the bone grafting, I'm a fan of the synthetic calcium bone if used properly. I would shy away from using your own bone as that creates more trauma at a different site in your body and is really not needed.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Feb 26, 2015

Thank you so much for your response. Do you know a way that we can find "documented" evidence of this? My oral surgeon says he can't find that, and I am not sure why. I have read plenty of anecdotal stories about it where there is no problems at the site, but he says he can't find documented cases. He is in agreement with removing my implant and it will be done on March 11th. It would just put his mind at ease if he could see proof or evidence that would suit him. Thanks again for your help.

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[terrybrown12](#) Feb 26, 2015

This is all really just coming to the light so there is not much documentation anywhere on any of the problems of titanium implants. You should direct him to this site where he can read the multitudes of stories, with very few having issue at the site of implant. Reading these stories should ease his mind at removing your implant.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Feb 26, 2015

Terry thanks again for all your input. He's been doing a lot of reading and contacting colleagues, and I think his willingness to do the removal comes from seeing a lot of this. He is convinced there really is legitimacy to all this. Like him, I'm curious why there's not more documentation when there are so many stories of removals, and the removals helping so much. He's commented on being surprised at the lack of documentation, but I'm sure that will come along in the near future.

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[terrybrown12](#) Feb 26, 2015

Encourage him to be the first one to document. Dr Mehta, you too! :)

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[rowdybuddy](#) Feb 26, 2015

He's already said he's going to make a case study out of my situation and write an article about it. He's taken quite an interest in the whole thing, very interested in my well being first and foremost. He's been open minded the whole time and willing to consider all possibilities from the very beginning, even though this is all new to him.

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[Ti Removal dentist](#) Feb 27, 2015

I'm not sure there are any documented cases in the literature. The stories most doctors like myself have are from patients we've treated and from patients such as the ones on this website. For example, I have a patient that just got treated and 90% of the symptoms she had have resolved after 2 weeks post-treatment with the treatment being removal of 2 titanium implants. She had the problem for a few years and after the implants were removed, things have been improving. I would love to write a paper on this but, the community is frankly not quite ready to hear this story. Not only that, since the symptomology is somewhat subjective, it's hard to document. Hope that makes sense!

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[rowdybuddy](#) Feb 28, 2015

It makes total sense to me, and again I really appreciate you taking the time to come here and answer questions. It's a shame people aren't ready for the story, because I believe more and more people are having implants done, especially knee and hip, and are going to be vulnerable to these monstrous problems, without having any clue in advance the risk they were taking.

I have asked my oral surgeon to contact you via email. He is removing my dental implant on March 11th. He plans to bone graft the hole so we can place something else down the road. He's not comfortable yet with zirconium or porcelain, he is afraid they are too brittle and prone to chipping and breaking. It's my understanding you feel differently about that. If you could convey that to him I would greatly appreciate it. I would like to consider going ahead and placing a zirconium implant on the 11th at the same time we remove the titanium one, if that is possible.

Thanks again, I can't express enough how much I appreciate it.

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[Leela1002](#) Feb 28, 2015

Dear Everone,

I am blown away by my experience right now. We had to postpone my removal operation, so it was done now on the 26th of February in Salzburg, with a new "unscrewing" tool. I CANNOT BELIEVE THIS. ALL MY SYMPTOMS ARE GONE. The operation itself was not more than 5 minutes...plus the injection etc.

My titanium implant was in the left 5th position. Last year March it was put in. 3 days after, I thought I was having a stroke or something because walking on the street all of the sudden my head became heavy, somehow towards the left side, and a kind of dizziness followed, and of course enormous panic which was somehow natural with these kind of experiences. Fear of death. I went to doctors after doctors. Only in August had I realised all of the sudden: ahh, this all started after the implant had been put in!!! And then it took me this long to find someone to take it out. Then other symptoms followed in this period of time: bad digestion, acidic stomach, fatigue, dry mouth, suffocating feeling on the neck or in the throat (this I could lessen a little bit that I stopped using fluoride toothpaste), and of course lethargy. THIS IS ALL GONE NOW, I CANNOT BELIEVE IT.

BUT: I think my homeopathic treatment that I started in November helped a lot in the meantime. I went to a homeopathic doctor and He could test that the meridian that is weak in my case is exactly the METAL meridian! Lung and the big intestines. But he said this was weak even before. Which I could agree to, because I did have candida problems ten years ago. And guess what: he said that in Chinese Acupuncture, this 5th left position of the titan implant is exactly the intestines. So I guess, that the somewhat subjective symptoms in patients like us is the result of this, that every tooth is in a specific Acupuncture point.

So the Homeopaths hoped that maybe we can strengthen my meridian and then my body would be able to accept the titanium. OH, but it didn't. It was clear it had to come out. But I followed his advice and treated myself in the meantime. I had to take Fortakehl D6 for my bowels for a fortnight, then Candida Albicans D6 for a month, Probiotics, I also got Bach Flower Remedy for the soul level, Pulsatilla Globuli, and Zinc.. And in the past few weeks before the operation I just started to take Kurkuma (Turmeric) which is good for inflammations in the body, and helps to take out the metal ions from the system.

This radical change now might also be because I had already been working on my body before they took it out this Thursday.

I cannot express how happy I am! One year of hell, and pulling myself together in the midst of lethargy to fight and find a surgeon. I thank you all for your postings, it gave me hope. I thank all the people who helped here around me.

And now, as I promised myself before, I am going to start writing. First a blog in Hungarian, English and German to help the people like us! I want to help, so that my suffering was not in vain....and to tell everyone that there is hope!

When my blog is ready I will post it here too.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need support, or have questions!

And I greatly welcome Dr Metha!!! I am very happy you are on this forum too.

All my love

Adrienn

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[terrybrown12](#) Feb 28, 2015

What WONERFUL NEWS!!!

I am soooo happy for you!!!

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[rowdybuddy](#) Feb 28, 2015

Congratulations, that's fantastic news.

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[studiotea](#) Feb 28, 2015

Thank you so much for your reply! Okay, it's good to know that having the gum "eaten" by the implant is nothing too unusual. However, it does seem strange to me that in every other place my gum is pretty much perfect, but the place in front of the screw has changed so much throughout the years.

Also thank you for your comment on the bone graft material! Before seeing your message I'd done some research on my own and I'd come to the same conclusion, the synthetic material seems like a pretty good choice.

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[Gmahar](#) Mar 02, 2015

You might want to try MMS to help remove metal toxicity. It has helped many people.

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[natslondon](#) Mar 04, 2015

I had the EXACT same thing as you. Same symptoms. Nothing around the implant. I was a mess- the symptoms worsened until eventually I developed a tremor and was an emotional wreck. I had my implant removed 4 months ago and I cannot explain to you the difference it made. I have my life back, it took a good 2 months to start feeling my old self and I am not fully recovered (still have some brain fog and some inflammation) but I have been on a herbal chelation course and I swear to you, month on month I am improving. Trust your instinct- remove that thing!

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 05, 2015

Thanks for your input, glad to hear you got better. I have it scheduled, the implant is coming out in 6 days. Absolutely no doubts in my mind at this point. The last three weeks all of my symptoms have gotten worse and



worse, it is unbelievable how bad I feel at this point.

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[Alibates79](#) Mar 05, 2015

Thanks to all who have posted on this forum.

I got a titanium implant almost two years ago. When the healing abutment was installed a couple of weeks after the implant, I had a great deal of head pain and sensitivity afterward. Since then I have had recurring ear pressure and chronic low intensity headache. My head is always sensitive and hurts if I ever have to cough or sneeze...probably indicative of a constant state of inflammation. I was always told that the implant itself and gum looks health, so it couldn't be the problem, but the timing of the symptoms correlates with the implant. Eight different doctors consulted with no useful results. MELISA test showed no metals allergy. Just went to a new periodontist who sees from CT scan that there is bone loss around some parts of implant. He said it might imply neuropathy which could be related to my symptoms and suggests that he do surgery to biopsy the tissue near the bone loss plus perform bone augmentation. He thinks I should try this before resorting to removal of the implant which, he thinks, could cause further nerve damage.

I would be most grateful to hear any additional advice from those who have had implants removed. It sounds like some have improved and others not.

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[terrybrown12](#) Mar 05, 2015

In my 4 or so years here on this board I have not seen anyone not improve. Some improve right away others take time, like myself.

It is more than apparent to me that you will benefit from your implant being removed. All the best to you...

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 06, 2015

I am having my titanium implant removed on March 11th, and I believe the oral surgeon said he would be cutting the implant. I've had another oral surgeon tell me it shouldn't be removed that way because doing that could leave microscopic particles which can continue to produce the health problems I am experiencing. Do you have any advice on that matter?

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[eucalypt](#) Mar 08, 2015

Hi Everyone,

I'm another one who is in distress since having two dental implants done over a year ago, top and bottom, left side. My symptoms, headache on left side only, disconnected type feeling, intermittent ache/throbbing at both implant sites, lightheaded, dizzy ish and fatigued, are getting quite unbearable and I have also had the run around by dental specialists, all of whom don't seem to understand the urgency I feel about getting these things removed. They seem to be concerned about doing more damage if they remove them. This leaves me feeling desperate and bewildered.

One dentist seems sure that it is a teeth grinding issue. ie stress related. Some of the symptoms fit with that but why has it coincided with having the implants placed? I've never had headaches daily, despite massive amounts of stress in my life. All the other symptoms are new to me too. I'm really worried about my health as every day/week it goes on I feel more worn down and I'm losing hope. My implants are well integrated and show no problem at the site and show nothing amiss on any of the scans I've had done. That's why no one wants to touch them....

Thanks for any input, and best of luck to you all. ( I'm located in Australia)

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[PT105](#) Mar 08, 2015

Your experience with dentists is common. It is understandable that they are uncomfortable removing something that appears perfectly good, and I think it leads to reluctance to admit there is a problem with the implants when there is no visible cause for your symptoms. If you give them any reason to believe they might be right and that you are not sure of the cause of your symptoms, it only reinforces their uncertainty.

Be considerate of their expectations but firm in your desire to have them removed and your knowledge that your body does not seem to be tolerating them for some reason. Because most of us are not getting any visible local reactions it appears there is some kind of immune or autoimmune reaction other than an allergy going on.

A special tool that only some surgeons/periodontists possess will minimize damage. Hopefully you can find a dentist who has it and is willing to do the surgery. Maybe your regular dentist can find one. In my case it was a periodontist at a dental school who placed and removed them.

I was lucky that he was willing to remove them. Bone augmentation was used after removal, so I'm hoping it will not present any problems and will minimize the bone loss that was inevitable when they were removed, even with the tool.

I am still in pain from having my two implants removed 5 days ago. The amount of pain and the way it's lingered surprises me. Aside from that it is too early for me to evaluate the effect on my health.

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[hwin44](#) Mar 09, 2015

I had a dental implant put in last year and ever since I've had symptoms appear that I've never experienced:

excema  
skin itching  
partial numbness of hands and jaw  
muscle weakness  
joint pain  
severe anxiety and panic attacks (on and off)  
waking up in panic at night, sweating

I've visited the dentist who put the implant in and he said that he had only heard of issues with the implants as anecdotal and the implant site looks perfect. He said that an oral surgeon could remove the implant, but they'd have to cut it out (drill all around the implant in the bone) to remove it.

And my doctor (naturopath) has said that the titanium should not be causing a problem so treating me in different ways.

I appreciate all of the stories here and have great hope in reading that so many people feel better after having them out. And that this may not just "all be in my head!"

If anyone knows of a doctor/surgeon in Oregon or Washington that can remove the implant with the method that I keep reading about here - by unscrewing the implant - I would be incredibly grateful for any contact information you can provide.

Thank you so much!

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[terrybrown12](#) Mar 09, 2015

My naturopath told me the same thing and we did everything to get my body back to normal. All we did helped alot but still needed the implant removed. I gave it a good two years of pure diet, prayer, exercise, many supplements. Still had issues. :( Just telling you so maybe you won't waste many dollars and time like I did.

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[hwin44](#) Mar 09, 2015

Thank you Terry! Your situation sounds very similar to mine. I don't want to waste any more time feeling like this. The anxiety is awful! I'm looking for a surgeon and hopefully I'll be able to move forward with this quickly.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 09, 2015

My implant removal is still on schedule for March 11th, two more days. The oral surgeon is going to be cutting the bone around the implant. He won't be cutting the implant or doing the trephine method either one. So I am comfortable with it. The bone around the implant is in great shape so it should be fine. He will do a bone graft in the removal hole so that I can have some other type of implant placed at some point in the future. My health is so poor for so many reasons and all the problems came on at the the same time after the implant, so I am really looking forward to the implant being gone.

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[eucalypt](#) Mar 10, 2015

Thanks for your response and encouragement PT105. I hope that your pain settles very soon and you are able to report a good outcome. Despite all the stories I read here that tell of similar symptoms, I still doubt my own experience of what has been happening to me. Probably because it has been a slow, creeping set of symptoms and over time I have almost come to believe it is all in my head. I have adapted to it in a way, but having said that, I have accepted a very much reduced quality of life over the past year. Every time a dental professional resists/rejects my story I feel a little less sure of myself. The whole thing has taken an emotional toll as well as a physical one.

It is very reassuring to read stories of others who have managed to have the implants removed and are doing better afterwards. I hope I can add a success story too at some point in the near future.

Best wishes

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 11, 2015

My implant was removed today, everything went well. I will give it some time to see how things go, and then I will post an update when I have a handle on how things are going.

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[eucalypt](#) Mar 12, 2015

Great that you have had the implant removed successfully. I hope the recovery period goes well too. Look forward to hearing an update when you're feeling up to it.

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[hwin44](#) Mar 13, 2015

I am having my implant removed on March 20th by Dr. Mehta in California. I'm so excited about having it out and looking forward to recovering my health.

I'm very grateful to everyone here for sharing your stories - it has really helped me feel that I'm definitely doing the right thing.

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[hwin44](#) Mar 13, 2015

That's great news. I hope you're doing well and feeling better!

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[hwin44](#) Mar 13, 2015

Your words echo exactly how I have felt -- random, seemingly unrelated symptoms occurring since I had my implant put in a year ago. And always feeling (and being told) that it is "all in my head."

I hope that you find someone to help you soon!

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[eucalypt](#) Mar 14, 2015

Thank you.

I'm off to see another dental specialist tomorrow. He's a maxillofacial surgeon. I hope he will take my pain seriously and be prepared to take some action.

I wish you well. I hope the procedure goes smoothly and gives you relief.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 15, 2015

I'm now in just my 4th day since the implant removal. The site is doing really well and I have almost no discomfort at all.

When I went into the removal I did not expect to be cured in 4 days. I had made up my mind that even if removal did not eventually solve my vast health issues, all of which had come on only after the implant was installed 5 months ago, it was still a wise overall health decision to remove it. I had read enough from people here and from the internet in general to believe that.

Now in the 4th day, I can say without and shadow of a doubt the I feel enough of an improvement already to believe removing the implant was a great decision. My fatigue level is unquestionably better, my muscle and joint pain is already better without a doubt. I also am very aware that I have a long way to go in my recovery, but just feeling positive changes already is extremely encouraging.

I already intend to let every doctor and every allergist I saw know that they need to recognize these metal implants are a real issue for certain people. The thought was completely dismissed by every one I saw expect my oral surgeon. I even gave printed material and articles to some of them to read, and when I went back later they obviously had not looked into it.

I realize this is probably due to the fact that such a large percentage of metal implants overall are completely successful and never cause any issues. But I find it negligent to not be open to the possibility that for a very small overall percentage of people it's a pure living nightmare.

Thanks to all the people here who have written about their problems, it helped me stay strong in my belief that the implant was probably the problem and needed to come out. I don't feel like any of us can guarantee anybody it will cure everybody who has it done. But I was going crazy wondering if it was the problem for me, and it feels wonderful to see such undeniable signs already that I feel these positive changes and am on the right track now.

Good luck hwin44, I hope everything goes well for you.

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[hwin44](#) Mar 16, 2015

This is such fabulous news!! I'm so happy for you and glad to hear that you're already recovering.

Thank you for sharing this -- it makes me feel more excited about having my implant removed on Friday. And even more confident in my decision to have it removed.

I look forward to hearing about your healing journey. Thanks again!

Hilary

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[hwin44](#) Mar 16, 2015

Thank you so much! How did your appointment go with the maxillofacial surgeon?

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[eucalypt](#) Mar 17, 2015

I don't know what to think of my appointment with the maxillofacial surgeon. He was very friendly but certainly did not believe the implants needed to come out ( after seeing the xray.) I hardly had a chance to talk. I did hand him a typed letter that I had written about my whole implant history and why I wanted them out. He feels certain I have a TMJ type disorder and has given me a mouth guard to wear at night. I'm prepared to give it a try but in the mean time my condition is worsening and I am scared. I don't know what to do next, other than follow his directions and see if it helps. I feel very unwell and I'm still on the dental merry go round..... and I'm doubting myself again.

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[eucalypt](#) Mar 17, 2015

Thanks for telling your 'removal story'. It is very encouraging to hear what you've experienced. It sounds very promising. I feel the same in that I think I would feel better having them out just so I would know, otherwise I will continue to have this nagging suspicion that it is implant symptoms but just have no proof.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 17, 2015

Thanks, and I felt even better yesterday. Long way to go, but feeling these improvements is great. They are so obvious there's no question they are real, and it is a fact that the implant was the problem for me.

Best of luck and I hope we are reading good news from you very soon.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 17, 2015

Up until about a week or so before I had it removed it seemed like I was going through a nonstop mental battle trying to decide whether or not to have the implant taken out, I probably changed my mind back and forth about hundreds of times in the course of 2-3 weeks. I think it was the fact that I finally read enough stories where it turned people's health around to believe it was the right decision to take it out, and during the last week I never wavered one time. I was actually excited when the time came, like a little kid on Christmas morning. Like you said, I was feeling SO bad and did want to live with the lingering nagging suspicion that it was the implant. I finally decided what the heck, the only thing it would really hurt is my wallet and a sore mouth for a while if I removed it and it turned out NOT to be the implant.

I can't say that I think anybody out there should definitely have their implant(s) removed, because we just don't know that for sure. But I would encourage people to not let doctors opinions be the reason why they don't have it done, because they don't know any more than we do about it. Very few people in the medical field realize there is a real issue with this.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 17, 2015

I would also like to add something that Dr. Mehta, who I have the utmost respect for, wrote in an email to my oral surgeon, and then forwarded to me:

"As I tell ALL patients, titanium implants have proven themselves over time and since millions of implants are placed each year with no problems, the likelihood of everything going well is very high. However, as we know with material science, we cannot exclude the possibility of a reaction which we don't understand and as such, if the patient starts complaining of systemic health issues that coincide with implant placement, it is something that we cannot ignore.

I have talked to several researchers on the subject and the current belief is that most of the reactions are not allergic in nature. True allergies are scientifically measurable via a MELISA test or such and since the reaction to titanium is not always a true allergy, it may not entirely be measurable. This ultimately is a problem. The current belief is that there is a macrophagic tissue reaction at the titanium dioxide / bone margin which is causing some people problems."

Maybe this is some information that people could take to the doctors and dental associates who are telling them that their implants are not the problem. Every bit of information might help.

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[eucalypt](#) Mar 18, 2015

I totally agree rowdybuddy." What the heck" is also what I think. I'm also not worried about the money or the procedure. My biggest problem is finding a specialist to do the job (and to be civil about it) I cant seem to convince anyone how bad things are for me.

There is only so much a human being can endure. Im near the end of my rope.

Thanks also for including the letter from Dr. Mehta. I may well show it at my next appointment.



I agree with you about telling others what to do in regards to removal. Its a very personal decision and everyones circumstances are different.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 18, 2015

Yes, I think Dr. Mehta made some very important points there. Doctors should not ignore what's going on or rule out possibilities. Just because it's a rare circumstance doesn't mean it's not real. My oral surgeon is very experienced and I was the first patient he has ever had that showed no signs at the site, but needed the implant removed. At first he seemed leery, but at that point I also did not think the implant was my problem. When I went back to him with some info he was open to the possibility, and he started looking into things and making phone calls. He said you can never say never, and I think that's the right approach. But doctors seem to want to stick with what normally works, especially when it works 99.9% of the time. But they should be open to other things when something goes wrong for the 0.1% of us.

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[terrybrown12](#) Mar 18, 2015

I am so delighted that you are doing better!!

I also want to add to the conversation that many that have implants may be having issues and not even relating them to the implant. I would say the success rate is not as high as 99.9.

If I had not had a second implant put in and gotten ten times worse than I was I would never have connected my MS type symptoms to the implant.

Even when implant two went in and I became so ill it still took me a long time to come to the conclusion that is was my implant.

My dentist that helped me get my implant removed has many stories of people don't connecting their health issues to their implant.

One story he told me of a woman who told him her husband had a tooth knocked out at work. He got an implant. He slowly became lethargic and depressed. One year later at work the implant was knocked out! (I don't know where he worked!!) The man decided to not have it replaced, sure enough with in weeks of the implant coming out his personality returned to what it was prior to the implant.

Just thought I'd share as I really do not believe titanium implants are good for anyones body.

Hwin 44, I am excited for you. I will send you an email soon!

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 18, 2015

Yes those are excellent points. For all we know the number could be 70% or more, who knows how high, we just have no way of knowing. It could be everybody or at least most people who have had metal implants are being bothered by them in some adverse way, to varying degrees from person to person.

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[eucalypt](#) Mar 19, 2015

Thanks for the anecdotal story about the woman's husband.

I would say that lethargy and depression are two of my main symptoms (along with the headaches.) I have a history of depression but having said that, I've never felt this bad before. This is a whole new level of incapacitation.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 19, 2015

"This is a whole new level of incapacitation."

My lethargy, weak muscles and terrible joint pain had gotten that way the last 4 weeks. I was almost bedbound. I could not stay awake more than 2 hours, and during those hours I was awake I felt horrible. I would pass out and sleep 15 minutes to an hour, wake up for two worthless hours and pass out again. Cycle went like that for four weeks.

The day after I had the implant removed I was awake for 7 hours and actually got some work done. On the 4th day after removal I was up for 10 hours straight and able to do some things. I was up 12 hours yesterday, which was the 7th day. This has been the most shocking change for me since the removal.

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[terrybrown12](#) Mar 20, 2015

wow! :))))))

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[hwin44](#) Mar 21, 2015

Hi Everyone!

After four flights and one dental surgery yesterday, I can happily report that my implant is finally out! I flew down to Orange County to see Dr. Mehta and back (to Portland, Oregon) after the procedure. The procedure was incredible – he really has created a “best in class” procedure for removing titanium implants and I am blown away.

It took a bit of time (maybe 30 minutes?), and it wasn’t painful at all, with the exception of the numbing injections (I’m not great with needles, and that’s always hard for me). I am not in much pain at all, only taking Advil at this point.

Today is day 1 for me without the implant and I woke up this morning and for the first time in months, I wanted to get out of bed. I felt a feeling that I didn't realize that I'd lost - something like joy mixed with motivation - I always used to feel that, especially on a beautiful and fresh Saturday morning, and I haven't in many months. Ready to take on the day. Not dragged down by some toxic exhaustion -- the best way that I know to describe it.

I slept well, didn't awake multiple times during the night with severe anxiety and my body feeling like it's vibrating (again, best way that I know to describe it). I'm sure that I'm also feeling relieved because this nightmare is over, but there is definitely a very real physical component!

As I explained this morning to someone, I feel like the proverbial frog in boiling water, I didn't realize how bad I was feeling until I woke up this morning and felt drastically better.

One thing that I didn’t realize, that Dr. Mehta explained to me, is that my implant (as are all titanium implants, I believe) was coated with titanium dioxide. I feel like I keep hearing that the implants are “pure titanium.” If there is titanium dioxide in anything (toothpaste, coconut milk coffee creamer) I feel nauseated after using it, so I avoid it.

Also, when Dr. Mehta. removed my crown, a little piece of it was broken inside – and it had been allowing bacteria and food to get in. So that wasn’t good for my system, I’m sure.

I’m only on day 1, and I realize that I have a ways to go, but I know with 100% certainty that my implant needed to come out. All of my symptoms are definitely not gone, and it will take some time, but this is a fabulous first day. Just wanted to let you all know.

Rowdybuddy – I’m so happy to hear that you’re feeling so much better! Fantastic news! It’s given me courage to read about your progress before my own implant removal surgery. I look forward to reading more and more great news from you!

Thanks everyone! Hilary

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 21, 2015

Wow what great news, I'm so happy for you. I can identify with a lot of the things you said. For the last six weeks prior to my implant removal, I can honestly say that on a scale of 1-10 on how I felt, I felt like a 1 every single day. Aside from the extreme fatigue, muscle and joint pain and many other problems, my brain was extremely foggy. I could not focus on anything, think straight, carry on a conversation, and I had absolutely zero motivation to even get out of bed. And I have never had any problems in that regard whatsoever.

Since the removal, now 10 days ago, I've had days where I can say I felt as good as a 5 or a 6 already, which blows my mind, I did not expect that this soon in my wildest dreams. I have a long way to go with a lot of issues, I've still had a few days I would rank as a 3 or a 4, and I expect to have some ups and downs as my system recovers and balances back out.

I'm very clear headed and have no lack of motivation at all already, and I am thrilled to death with what has happened so far. Like you said, there is absolutely no question in my mind this was a very real physical problem, not just some crazy thoughts in my brain.

Congratulations again on feeling positive changes so quickly.

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[studiottea](#) Mar 21, 2015

Hi everyone,

I'm just writing quickly that I had my titanium implant removed ten days ago. Everything went pretty smoothly, but the titanium implant had been installed too close to my sinus (it was already seen at the initial X-ray) and unfortunately my sinus got perforated <http://www.medhelp.org/posts/new/1252386#d> during the process. This in turn meant a sinus lift and a lot of stitches. I can only hope that this won't cause any long-term problems.

As the gum in front of the implant had been eroded the dentist took some material from my palate to have the gum fixed. This caused a huge swelling (that was extremely sore) in the palate and yesterday I was forced to see a dentist, who perforated the swollen part and thus managed to make it smaller. Now I feel that part is finally beginning to heal properly. I took a course of antibiotics (7 days) and was given another one, but I'm hoping to avoid it as the antibiotics are not good for fighting candida.

So because I've had pain here and there (palate, implant, gum and sinus) I've had some trouble sleeping and thus can't tell yet if the operation has made a big difference or not. I do feel that since the operation I've felt calmer (almost not anxious at all) and "more normal" than before removing the implant, but I need to wait a bit more to be sure it's not placebo effect or just relief from having the implant taken out.

But I do have to say that I am very happy I got this done, I will be even if it makes no difference in the way I feel. Due to other changes I've already made such a big difference in my health and I believe this was a natural and necessary step during this process of healing.

I think the doctor was very good and the good thing about the operation was that he managed to get the old implant out with no further bone loss. But as I said, until yesterday my mouth has been on fire and hasn't let me sleep properly, so I'll give it some time now and report later on my progress. So far I'm feeling positive and as I said I do have a strong feeling that something has changed in me, even if it may not be like a miracle cure some people here have reported. Thank you again for all the support I've received here!

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[studiotea](#) Mar 21, 2015

Hi again,

I'm so sorry for the link in my previous message! I don't understand how it got into the message. I even read my message through before posting it so the link had to get there at the very end. As there is no way of editing the message I can only apologize and hope that the moderator would kindly remove it from my post!

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 21, 2015

Wow, sorry to hear you have all that going on, best of luck with everything and I hope we're reading good news from you in the near future.

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[studiotea](#) Mar 22, 2015

Thank you! Also congratulations on your progress, I sure hope and believe that by time you will make an even bigger progress!

Yes the first nine days were quite tough, but as I said it's much better now so I'm feeling positive. Last night was the first one I managed to sleep without the crippling pain in my mouth, so already that is a step I now appreciate :)

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[Alibates79](#) Mar 24, 2015

Many of the messages on this board strongly suggest that the Ti implants are causing us problems through changes in our immune systems. I am getting my implant removed in about a week and am planning to document a number of immune markers before and after removal. However, I need to pick and choose which immune markers to measure. I would be most grateful if any of you who have had tests done could share with me suggestions. I am not talking about Melisa, which tested negative for me, but measuring such markers as ANA, interferons, immunoglobins... Has anyone documented unusual levels of any of these cytokines during the time you had your implant?

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 25, 2015

That seems like a great idea. I did not specifically have any tests done for those things. I did have blood drawn twice during the 5 months when my implant was in, for other reasons. As far as I know none of these things were checked. I have no clue, but do labs ever save blood samples for any possible future testing? One time I had blood drawn was at a hospital ER due to hives and severe swelling one week after the implant was installed. The second blood draw was at an endocrinologists lab/office.

I'm at day 14 and still improving. Even though I fluctuate some from day-to-day and even sometimes during a given day, it's safe to say I am at about 40-60% of my old self now. After feeling like I was 0-10% for the last 4-6 weeks before the removal.

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[hwin44](#) Mar 25, 2015

Thank you rowdybuddy!

I'm definitely still feeling better and seeing some improvements. Today is day 5 without the implant for me. Still not having any anxiety, which is remarkable, because I had some sort of anxiety almost all the time for the entire year that I had my implant in.

I'm still on antibiotics, and I never feel well on antibiotics, so I'm looking forward to gauging things once I finish them, next week.

I'm so glad to read that you're continuing to improve. 40-60% of your old self - that's so incredible!

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[hwin44](#) Mar 25, 2015

Studiotea, so glad to hear that the pain is lessening and I hope you're starting to feel better!

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[PT105](#) Mar 26, 2015

That's a good idea if the right marker(s) could be known. I'm not sure that's the case. Maybe this will help you decide:

Background: My situation is unusual in that I had been ill with post-viral CFS for many years at the time of my first implant, around 2000. Although many new symptoms started developing after that relative period of time,

there was less of an immediate or clear direct cause and effect in my case than for those who were perfectly healthy before their implants. For that reason I never suspected it at that time, and for that reason after it failed 12 years later and had been removed, I had two more placed last year.

(They were removed three weeks ago and I've been holding off posting my experience because it's taken me so long to recover from the surgery and travel involved that it's been hard to assess.)

It was not until around 2010 that my ANA and IgG1 began showing abnormalities indicating autoimmunity and immune deficiency. My IgM is in a hyperactivated state and there were smoldering indications of that at least by 2006. I don't remember when C3 began turning up low, whether it was then or after. My immune functions were not tested at all before late 2006. My IgM went up further after placement of implants last year and my IgG (total, sub-classes not measured) went down more.

Judging from results of my immune function tests, if I were to choose a single test to do before and after implant removal it would be IgM. I wouldn't have great hopes of it showing anything, but who knows? If you decide to test anything I would leave a good amount of time after removal for your immune system to settle down first.

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[Alibates79](#) Mar 26, 2015

Thank you for the information. I was a little surprised that so little testing seems to have been done for our group. My doctor today said it's because the immune markers are often only changed locally at the site of the problem. However, it seems worth a try. I hope you can see improvement from your removals soon.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Mar 28, 2015

Glad to hear you are still improving too.

I am around 50-60% still but I can tell I'm slowly improving. I assumed this would take awhile before I had the implant removed, and I can see it is going to be an ongoing process. As messed up as I was, I am not surprised. The only surprise was the initial quick turnaround in the first two weeks.

Take care and best of luck with your continued recovery.

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[Sofi79](#) Mar 31, 2015

Hello Dr. Mehta and everyone on this site!

I am new here and wanted to thank you all for the enormous amount of information for over the years.

I am writing on behalf of my mother who doesn't speak English and I am very concerned about her health. She is 65 years old and had two titanium implants placed in her jaw about 1,5 months ago. Both procedures went smoothly and the implants seem to be completely healed, no signs of inflammation in the mouth.

After the second implant though, she started to have shooting pains on the side of head where the second implant is. The pain is usually present in the jaw, in the ears and other parts of the head but not directly at the implant. According to her dentist everything looks fine.

She also also started to develop periods of dizziness and muscle weakness that effects her legs and arms. Yesterday she started to feel very unwell in the car, had severe nausea, numbness in in the arms and legs and her hands had a period of muscle spasm when she couldn't open or close the fingers for about 10-15 minutes. She felt so weak that also couldn't not get out of the car.

She was taken to the ER and they kept her in for 24 hrs but nothing was found. She is also having tremors and signs of anxiety. Prior to the implants she always had a generally good health, never any major problems.

As I have read through some of the comments at the beginning of this site, I have realized that there were others with same / similar symptoms due to titanium implants. I have recommended her to think about their removal and thankfully her dentist offered that he would do it if it comes to that.

But I would really appreciate your opinions first. There seem to be a community here very well educated on these titanium issues. I twisted whether having her going through all kinds of medical tests that can last for months and might not even bring any results or just go ahead and remove these implants as soon as possible. Certainly 90% of these problems are present since they are in, and they seem to be getting worse.

Dr. Mehta - If we go with the option of the removal, I am concerned about the technique that is going to be used and want to advise her talking to the her dentist before he does it. I do understand from your comments that some procedures may leave tracks of titanium in the jaw and hence not solving the problem. I wish I could fly her over to you to the US but she is living in Europe and it is not an option.

Can you please recommend me what it is that I should be asking the dentist and what kind of techniques are being used that are safe in this regard. For your answer I am very thankful in advance!

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[PT105](#) Mar 31, 2015

studiotea, who has posted here recently before and after implant removal, is in Europe and knows of a good dentist there who can remove them properly. You might try private messaging him/her.

You are doing the right thing in directing your mother to have the implants removed. I wish her good luck.

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[Leela1002](#) Apr 01, 2015

Vow!!! I am so happy for you!

Just like in my case...My implant was removed one month ago. The dizziness immediately ceased...and now my whole body is recovering...If my body could talk! It is really happy...it is jumping around...

Ahh I must tell everyone!

now that I have been jumping around in happiness and relief for a month, it is time to write my blog! I will write it in Hungarian, English and German.

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[Sofi79](#) Apr 01, 2015

Thank you for your reply and support PT105, I appreciate it!

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[eucalypt](#) Apr 03, 2015

Im still on my quest to have 2 implants removed.

My health is deteriorating. Saw the maxillofacial surgeon for the second time yesterday. He was not the one who put them in so he was not overly defensive. He did warn that to remove them will do quite a bit of damage to the bone and was generally steering me away from that. That scared me and I don't know whats true any more. It seems like some of you guys have had removal done without major issues to the jaw bone. Am I correct?

Feeling scared and alone.....

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[PT105](#) Apr 03, 2015

The surgeon evidently does not have the right tool to minimize damage and wants you to be prepared for the loss of more bone than would occur when you lose a tooth.

If it's not too much trouble and expense, you should try to find a surgeon who can remove them with the special tool. Maybe the surgeon you've consulted could help locate one or maybe you could contact the dental society in your area or your regular dentist to find one.

If you decide to go ahead with the surgeon you've consulted already instead, you can ask him about bone grafting. Maybe Ti\_Removal\_doc has an opinion on whether it's better to wait or can be done at the time of removal.

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[sami11](#) Apr 03, 2015

Don't worry! I am in your position too, so don't feel alone and don't feel scared. You have the support of a great and now experienced implant removal dentist who has had proven success, which has been reported directly in this forum. Anecdotal evidence in these cases can be very valuable, despite their subjectivity. It all comes down to trust, and i trust what i read and the amazing results that everyone has had since opting for the removal.

It is always the priority of dentists to protect their interests and err on the side of caution when it comes to giving advice, and so they will tend to inform you of a worse case scenario. You should speak to Dr. Mehta for some reassurance, as i will be doing too, and perhaps he could be the one to carry out the procedure for you in such a way as to relieve as much anxiety as possible.

The body is an amazing healer you know. Despite my strong belief that my implant has led to a range of systemic issues, due to the VERY convenient timing, i was lucky enough to avoid a bone graft in the first place because my bone seemed to heal so quickly, that the experienced dentist of over 25 years was so shocked. This may have partly been due to taking good care of my teeth and the surrounding sites, pre and post procedure, through supplementation and a practice known as 'oil-pulling' which is excellent for pulling out toxins and reshaping and growing the gum tissue.

The body is an interconnected unit and we must look at it as so, from a holistic perspective. Nothing affected at one area of the body is likely not to have an affect on another, due to the nature of the meridian channels that define us at a subatomic, energetic level, beneath the physical. Whilst you make up your mind, as i am too, it is worth researching holistic healing methods such as diet and homeopathy, acupuncture to try and rebalance the meridians, and a course(s) of homeopathy to try and tackle the physical issue right at the deepest level, in an attempt to override it. Perhaps our body could adapt to the change, if we can overwrite the energetic signature blueprint which has been affected by the installment of a toxic chemical right in to one of the meridian sites. Each tooth corresponds to a different meridian channel, that can affect different glands, organs and bodily sites.

This may be a long shot, but i believe it may be possible to override, and am a big advocate of the plasticity of the brain and the body- in other words its ability to adapt and find new pathways. This could enable us to readapt to the 'new environment' of our bodies. I am an extensive researcher in to spiritual practices and holistic healing, have had some very useful advice from many experts in the past, and am now writing my own blogs and articles in these areas.

I actually managed to relieve some chronic IBS, COMPLETELY, that i had for a year, post implantation through the use of these methods, but have since developed chronic restless leg syndrome, characterized by intense tingling and crawling sensations in the legs whenever i am still, which has severely affected my sleep, energy levels and ability to concentrate. I will be trying acupuncture and some more homeopathy first, as well as iron and magnesium supplementation. If that fails, implant removal will be the only remaining choice, and i will be happy with that. Sometimes life throws challenges at us, but they can and they will be overcome. You have the strength within you so don't worry. The future is bright for both of us. I hope this helps.

If anyone reads this and gets this far and could possibly provide me with an estimate of how much the whole procedure of implant removal and instant zirconia replacement would cost, then i would be extremely grateful. Dr Mehta how much would you charge roughly for two implant removals and replacements in the upper jaw front region. I am from the UK, but would consider flying over to you for the procedure as i have a lot of trust in you. Might as well take a holiday whilst i'm at it as well, soften the blow and all that ;-).

And if anyone has opted for a replacement bridge instead, i would like to know how they feel about that. I know zirconia is extremely safer and biocompatible than titanium and the other components of the grade 5 alloyed

implants, but perhaps it is best not to implant anything in a meridian site? Just a thought. I would have thought zirconia would be quite inert and act more similar to the original bone though, and your feedback seems to suggest that is the case. This is certainly the thoughts of Dr. Mercola as well, who gives some very useful advice about this topic and is getting, or now has zirconia implants himself.

i hope to hear back from some of you guys! Thank you

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[Ti Removal dentist](#) Apr 03, 2015

There is a way to prevent any damage to the bone but it is very technique sensitive. Oral surgeons will usually want to trephine out the implant. This means drilling away the adjacent bone thereby loosening the implant which then basically comes out. This is NOT what you want to do. Your problems may be shared by many on the board so I bet you're not as alone as you think. Dr. Mehta

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[Ti Removal dentist](#) Apr 03, 2015

The decision to place a Zirconia implant at the time of removal of the Titanium implant depends on several factors. The removal of the Titanium implant can be done in such a manner to NOT involve any of the adjacent bone so that once the titanium implant is removed, you can actually visualize the thread pattern in the bone from where the implant was removed. Depending on the size of the implant that is removed dictates whether or not the Zr implant goes in. For example, let's say a 3.6mm diameter implant is removed and there is enough bone thickness in the area. Then, a 4mm Zr implant can be placed easily enough with excellent success. However, let's say a 4.1mm implant is removed perfectly. The Zr implants come in 3.6mm, 4mm, and 5mm. If there is not enough room (thickness) to place a 5mm Zr implant at the 4.1mm removal site, a bone graft is a better option here as the 4.0 Zr implant is slightly too small to fit the 4.1mm size site. Hope that makes sense!

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[PT105](#) Apr 04, 2015

Thank you for your reply, Dr Mehta.

Because zirconia implants are still not widely used in the US, there will be other patients in the position I was in, where even had it been technically possible to place zirconia implants at the time of removal of my titanium ones, they are not used in the practice of the surgeon who removed mine, and so it was not an option.

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[jefftriska](#) Apr 04, 2015

Hi All! I found this thread after searching on the internet for a connection between autoimmune disease and dental implants. I had one placed a little over 6 years ago and have felt that my health has been deteriorating since. I experience skin, gut, and brain symptoms leading me to believe there is something off-kilter in my gut-brain axis which is mostly likely autoimmune in nature. My biggest complaint is the cognitive dysfunction, brain fog, and fatigue that I get periodically throughout the day and am afflicted with some days for the majority. These symptoms seem to worsen after I eat which makes me think I have constant inflammation in my body that has caused me to react to foods just like a Celiac patient would react to wheat for example. Since the dental implant I have developed allergies and/or sensitivities to dairy and many other foods. I get regular abdominal pain, and despite that I have been on an autoimmune paleo protocol to quash these problems I have seen only minimal improvement in 6 months.

I am starting to think I want to get my dental implant removed and am looking around the US for doctors who have done this before and are familiar with the procedure that Dr. Mehta discusses. I would consult with Dr. Mehta, but I live in Virginia and so seeing a doctor on the East Coast is preferable as I can avoid costly plane tickets and such. studiotea mentioned a Doctor Kazeemi. Does anyone know if this is the same Dr. Kazemi that practices in DC and MD? If so, is he familiar with the technique Dr. Mehta describes?

Thank you all for such an elucidating and informative thread. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Best,  
Jeff Triska

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[eucalypt](#) Apr 04, 2015

Thank you for your thoughts on my situation. After mucking around consulting other highly skilled specialists in my area and getting nowhere, I'm now at the point where I will just stick with my original periodontist and hope he will do the job for me. The ones who didn't put them in don't want to be the ones who take them out. (as the implants are mechanically sound)

This process is so very tiring.

I will contact Dr. Mehta to get his input.

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[eucalypt](#) Apr 04, 2015

Thanks.

It sounds like you have a lot of experience with natural healing methods and have also had a lot of symptoms to deal with.

I will be contacting Dr. Mehta to ask his opinion. I hope we both find the best outcome, and the sooner the better.

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[eucalypt](#) Apr 04, 2015

Thank you for your advice and knowledge. I seem to remember the only conversation I had about removal with my periodontist was that he would drill up around it, which is exactly what you are advising against.

He seems to have performed this procedure on other people who come to him with failed implants? or badly placed ones? He cannot seem to get his head around removing one of his own perfectly placed and well integrated implants.

What you say about the size of the Zirconia implants makes perfect sense although I can't imagine wanting to put anything else into my jaw bone again after this nightmare.

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[jefftriska](#) Apr 05, 2015

Hi Dr. Mehta

I am interested in having my titanium implant removed and you seem to be very familiar with the least traumatic method of doing so. I posted a bit of my back story yesterday, but I live on the East Coast and am willing to fly to CA to have it done if you are interested. I am trying to plan for this procedure to get an idea of a timeline of when things would happen. For example, do you know how long it would take to get an appointment with you to have the implant removed if I called next week?

If you want you can email me at \*\*\*@\*\*\*\*

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best,  
Jeff

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[jefftriska](#) Apr 05, 2015

Sorry about that. I guess you can't post emails so I will spell it out: jeffscott357atgmaildotcom

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[PT105](#) Apr 05, 2015

I would just like to make a general statement about replacing one or more removed implants.

I have had a fixed bridge for decades that I've been very pleased with. It was made for the loss of a single tooth and was done in the days before implants were so heavily pushed as an option, or, as with many dentists now, "the only" option. If a bridge would work where I had my titanium implants removed, I wouldn't hesitate to use one. They are far less risky than implants and have a much better history of longevity when made correctly and using quality materials.

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[natslondon](#) Apr 07, 2015

I could not agree more with regards to a fixed bridge. I had mine for 6 years before my implant and other than it falling out 3 times in 6 years it was great (the cement does wear down and mine is a front tooth so used a lot of biting into things). After having my implant removed I had another bridge fitted and this one is of an even higher quality and feels even firmer- No one can tell it is not a real tooth (some people have even commented that it looks better than the implant).

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[PT105](#) Apr 07, 2015

Your new one sounds better. A well made crown or bridge should fit like a glove so that it doesn't depend on cement to adhere, but will remain in place unless suction is applied to it. Mine never came loose for that reason.

A badly made crown or bridge will wobble and fall off by itself when not glued in place and it will not fit into the gum line as it should. It will not even fit well when it's cemented in. It will fail in time because of the thickness of the cement, which isn't intended to be used excessively in that manner.

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[Ti Removal\\_dentist](#) Apr 07, 2015

You both are correct and incorrect about the bridge. Think about the mechanics of a bridge. You are replacing a missing tooth by putting an anchor on the two adjacent teeth and then "bridging" the gap with a false tooth. So, if you think about the mechanics, you are now putting the biting force of 3 teeth along 2 teeth so the pressure / forces are now elevated on the two remaining teeth. This can and does pose problems in many patients. Not to mention the hygiene issue with bridges as it's very difficult to clean under the missing tooth (pontic) area. This can create periodontal issues. Trust me that for every good bridge, there are probably just as many if not more that patients hate. Of course, considering the lesser of two evils, a bridge is definitely better for you if you have a negative reaction to titanium implants - no one will argue that. However, ceramic implants in my opinion are the best option if you are sensitive to titanium.

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[MomKD](#) Apr 08, 2015

Hi. I had a tooth extracted and a titanium implant put in on Feb 2, 2015. I started getting a sour taste in my mouth, which then became horribly salty, then bitter. I also had dry mouth. After 6 weeks, I asked the oral surgeon who "has never heard of such symptoms in 30 years" to remove it. He removed it on March 16. My symptoms have not entirely gone away. Some days its still salty, some days its sour. I still have dry mouth, but not quite as bad. I am having a bonded bridge made to replace the tooth. This is temporary for awhile until I can possibly get a ceramic implant. No one in my area is doing them from what I can see. Removing the implant was fairly easy. Good luck to everyone.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Apr 08, 2015

I actually had a very salty taste in my mouth 24 hours a day shortly after my implant had been installed, and a very dry mouth constantly as well. At first my oral surgeon said it was common for the body to release salts into the mouth when it senses trauma or changes, as a healing mechanism. He said it usually lasted up to a month. It seems like the salty taste lessened some around the 4th month, but I still had it when the implant was removed. I am one month out from removal and I have not tasted that saltiness at all since the implant was removed.

Congrats on getting your titanium implant out so fast, great move.

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[MomKD](#) Apr 09, 2015

Thanks for the message. I thought this salty taste and dryness would be gone fairly quickly after removal, especially since it was only in for 6 weeks. Some days its better, then I relapse. My tongue wasn't stuck to the roof of my mouth when I woke up this morning, so maybe its improving. The other interesting thing is that I am allergic to a component in some eye shadows. My left eye (the one directly over the implant) got really red and swollen while the implant was still in. One of the ingredients in most eye shadow is titanium dioxide, so perhaps that is what I am allergic to. I took a photo of both my eyes and showed it to my oral surgeon. He could see that the left one was very red. It will be 4 weeks since the removal this coming Monday. Fingers crossed that these symptoms are gone soon!

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[studiottea](#) Apr 12, 2015

Hello,

I just wrote a long message, but I hadn't logged in and somehow the message was lost while doing so. Now I'm trying to be more efficient but tell pretty much the same things :)

As I couldn't have a zirconia implant installed where I live in Scandinavia, I went to Bulgaria to get it done. This dentist has a clinic in New York, but he travels to his home country a few times a year. I had talked to two of his customers and they told me very good things about him, and after reading some internet reviews as well I had made up my mind.

Anyway, I was very happy with him so I can really recommend him. To be honest I think he must be one of the best possible choices at least in the east coast as he's got excellent tools for removing old implants and he seems to know what he's doing. He speaks very good English so that shouldn't be a problem for sure.

I'll ask him first to make sure I can post his name here (I see no reason why, but I think it'll be polite for me to do so). So in the meantime, if anyone wants his name and contact info please send me a private message!

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[garciamarquez](#) Apr 16, 2015

Hello, my name is Mary and I am from Spain. Sorry if my English is not correct

I want to comment on my case. Wear 4 implants of titanium, has never liked carrying metal in the body, but thought there was another option.

I recently learned that there zirconium implants, metal free ... They are good experiences with these implants?

I'm experiencing a lot of fatigue, salty taste in the mouth, and I am very clouded mind, I can not think or concentrate.

I am very angry with my dentist for not informing me of this option ...

My questions are:

1. Wear implants for 5 months, I can take them off?
2. In case of removing the implants, accept my body again zirconium implants?
3. Anyone with zirconium implants, what experience do you have?
4. I wear implants are to replace eight front teeth, is all smile ... so I have very afraid, and I am very young, 22 years.
5. zirconium implants feel more natural? Because with titanium implants I do not feel unnatural, and when I bite'm very hard ...



6. zirconium implants let the energy flow? Because titanium implants destroy it.

Thank you very much to anyone who can help me ... It is very urgent.

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[PT105](#) Apr 16, 2015

Mary - Energy flow problems will be the same, as far as my research tells, but minus the negative effects the titanium may be having on your immune system.

Dentists who don't do zirconia implants are probably not aware of the number of patients who are sensitive to titanium and there is no way of knowing who is and who isn't.

I am not aware of anyone who did not tolerate titanium having problems with zirconia. Everyone has been pleased with their zirconia implants that I have read about.

I had my titanium implants removed but have not yet had them replaced. Mine were in place for a little over 5 months when they were removed. It is easier to remove them sooner, but it can be done any time. It is best to find a dentist who has a special tool for minimizing bone loss. If you read the last page or two on this thread you will find information about this issue and answers to some of your other questions.

Zirconia implants are not likely to feel more or less natural than titanium.

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[garciamarquez](#) Apr 16, 2015

Thanks, PT105 ...

Then, in his view, zirconium implants do not cause health problems? Because I have read that titanium can lead to cancer ...

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[garciamarquez](#) Apr 16, 2015

I want to feel active, healthy again, as I was before ...

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[terrybrown12](#) Apr 17, 2015

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Please send me an email. It is easier for me to respond that way.  
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Through my dentist and natural health care person, I am told that Zirconium allows the energy to flow. I am doing fine with mine.

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[garciamarquez](#) Apr 18, 2015

Thank you very much for your answer. I am very interested to talk to you, but I can not see your email address. If you can send it to me via PM I'd appreciate it very much.

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[Beauti3](#) Apr 20, 2015

Brand new to this forum. Tried to post awhile ago, but it didn't work. Won't make it so long this time, but want to see if this works this time. I want to respond regarding Zirconia implants and my allergy to it.

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[Beauti3](#) Apr 20, 2015

Last post worked!!

I have had a titanium implant for 8 years. I also have Lyme Disease (for 27 years, first diagnosed as CFS and then Fibro). Got a firm diagnosis of Lyme 3 years ago -- finally.

I am having awful problems for the last month or so. Started having mild symptoms 8 years ago. But I just thought it was Fibro (mostly tiredness). Now I am sure the implant is shutting down my entire body.

I am planning to have the implant removed as soon as I possibly can. I am planning to have it removed with the Neobiotech tool that I have seen discussed here on this forum.

Only problem I have EXTREMELY allergic to Zirconia. I had two dental bio-compatibility tests in the past and they confirmed this. Test through Biocomp lab.

My question is: I have multiple chemical sensitivities (MCS). When I get the implant extracted and I have a

deep hole in my jaw and cannot put in another implant, what do I do? I know I will react to any synthetic "bone" product put in there, or cow bone powder, and I don't have any bone to spare of my own. I am not YOUNG anymore!!

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[Tunaboy](#) Apr 20, 2015

Hi Everyone!

Like most people in this thread, I have been exploring every possible cause for my symptoms. In late Dec 2014, I underwent a jaw surgery which included titanium plates and screws. In the following days, I experienced night sweats and swollen lymph glands under my jaw. Then I noticed numbness and muscle weakness in my right foot, following by progressively worsening tingling, buzzing, numbness, in both legs and arms. I also have random joint/muscle pains, chills, and cold toes. Does this sound like an allergy? I don't have any visible rashes though. I have been to my GP, 3 neurologists, and have done lots of blood work, MRI's EMG's and everything is coming back normal! I have an appointment with a rheumatologist and oral pathologist this week. I'm also planning to see a Lyme specialist just to make sure. But after reading this thread, I think it could be a possible foreign body reaction to the titanium. I am going to call the manufacturer tomorrow to see what exactly the parts are composed of.

Now my question for you all: Does a negative MELISA test mean that you are NOT hypersensitive/allergic and therefore should not remove the metal? I think I read somewhere of people removing it anyway and feeling better. But the last think I want to do is have another unnecessary surgery.

Also, I don't have any symptoms at the surgery site. This seems to vary by person.

Any comments would be greatly appreciated! Stay strong!

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[MyronWaldman](#) Apr 21, 2015

Thanks for bringing up this topic. I thought I was the only one around having teething problems. I have had an issue with my teeth for a long time and my condition is deteriorating and it's becoming difficult for me to take a decision. I do not know whether I have an allergy towards Titanium implants and hence I am pretty confused as to what the next step should be. I do have sinus that can be classified as severe. Would it be helpful if I pay a visit to dentistry like Sierra Dental( <http://www.sierracentre.com/> ) in Calgary. I need to be cent percent sure about going ahead with the implants treatment because from what I have read so far here, I do not see any light at the end of the tunnel. I hope things turn out to be otherwise.

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[Tunaboy](#) Apr 21, 2015

I just found out today that my Titanium screws have 6% aluminum and 4% vanadium. So when they say titanium, they mean MOSTLY titanium. I'm not sure if I can wait another few weeks for a MELISA test result. I am strongly leaning towards taking these out anyway.

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[Tunaboy](#) Apr 21, 2015

Hi,

I would strongly suggest a MELISA test. However, even if negative, it doesn't really measure your body's reaction to the implant. Lots of people improved significantly after having the implant removed. There is lots of light at the end of the tunnel!

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[Crissy6433](#) Apr 21, 2015

I feel incredibly grateful to have found this today. A little about myself.. 17 years ago I had an implant introduced to my young, physically fit healthy body via a dental implant... Hit fast forward... Today I am a sick, weakened, auto immune disease ridden, allergic to everything, depressed mother of 3. It recently occurred to me that it could be my implant and now I feel even more reassured that it is. I have decided to have it removed but first will do Melisa testing. I have started calling around in hopes of finding an implantologist who can provide this service and am very surprised at how many have refused the service even the consultation. I reside in Toronto, Canada. If anyone reading this knows of a reputable professional please send me their info. Thanking you all so very much. I will be updating you all on my quest to heal and rid myself of this ticking time bomb.

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[Beauti3](#) Apr 21, 2015

Good for you, Crissy! I think you are on the right path. I hope someone on forum will be able to refer you to someone in your area to remove your implant!

ALL my health problems started right after getting two root canals. Did not realize at that time that having a mouth full of mercury fillings certainly wasn't helping either. I had all that taken care of many years ago. Still sick after 27 years, but Lyme is in the mix too. I HAD two dental biocompatibility tests (which test for about 300+ materials that a dentist may use in his office) including materials for dentures, cements, all metals, etc. etc. I showed up "negative" on Titanium and was feeling strong enough 8 years ago and let my "almost" biological dentist talk me into it. I didn't have a computer at that time to check anything out.

I started going downhill slowly but have suddenly reached the point that I haven't been able to care for myself very well, can only drive when I feel up to it. My legs are cold and tingly all the way up, not just my feet. I have developed what appears to be kidney problems, liver problems, scleroderma, severe eye problems (including 2 infections at the same time), problems with my cornea, increased tinnitus. But the worse are the anxiety, loss of sleep, getting dehydrated and then ending up in emergency to get IV drips. The very worse is just not being able to think, period!! My daughter is coming from out of state to help me get my affairs in order, just in case I have to move. Having the implant removed will be the first priority.

I did read on one website that a man with scleroderma had his implant removed and the scleroderma disappeared. I am very thankful that those here on this forum have finally found the ROOT of our problem, which is our fake ROOTS of our teeth!

I think you are definitely doing the right thing, Crissy, by pursuing this!!! Keep up -- I'm sure you will find someone to help you.

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[Beauti3](#) Apr 23, 2015

Hi, Doctor Mehta:

My son is making an appt for me at one of your offices here in Southern California to have my titanium implant removed.

I have a couple of questions if you could please respond to:??

I am allergic to Zirconia (confirmed by a BioComp dental biocompatibility test a number of years ago.) I have also had Multiple Chemical Sensitivities (MCS) for many years now. Got my implant about 8 years ago, tested O.K. to titanium beforehand but I know NOT OK with it now!!! Awful symptoms.

I am concerned about the "hole" left by the implant removal, and not able to do Zirconia implant; and am concerned about any artificial bone/calcium put back into the space and being allergic to that. Also about developing bacterial infection in the cavity left by removal of the implant and not putting anything back in that "hole".

Sorry for all the concerns, but I have had fibro, chronic fatigue syndrome and possibly Lyme disease. Disabled for 27 years and NOW THIS with the implant. I am in my late 60's but suddenly realized that if I keep up at this pace, with all that has recently happened with symptomology from the implant, I will not be able to take care of myself much longer if I don't get it removed.

Thank you for any help you can give me.

Jean

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[Ti Removal\\_dentist](#) Apr 23, 2015

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[hwin44](#) Apr 24, 2015

Hi Everyone! It has been exactly 5 weeks today since I had my titanium implant removed, so I wanted to check in with an update on my progress.

I still have days that are better than others. If I put my body through too much stress (improper diet, too much exercise, not enough sleep, etc), then I definitely feel it (I'm a bit weak and tired overall for a day or two).

But for the most part, I'm about 80-90% recovered. The only symptom that is really lingering for me is a bit of an odd feeling (very slight numbness?) in my forearms and hands on and off, from time to time. And a little bit of eczema off and on.

My insomnia is gone, anxiety is back to normal levels (normal life stress), my well being is wonderful, blood sugar swings and blood pressure issues completely gone, skin itching almost nonexistent, jaw pain almost gone. My motivation is great and my mind is sharp and clear, whereas it was very foggy before the implant.

I also was shocked the first time I attempted cardio exercise after having the implant removed. My stamina had dwindled down to almost nothing and literally almost overnight it bounced back once the implant was gone. I'm able to exercise as much as I want to now! I'm really enjoying being active again.

I feel that I so much energy and motivation for the things that I love, and didn't realize how much of my zing had disappeared with the implant. I feel like I've gotten my life back, which is amazing.

My husband made a comment last weekend that he hadn't seen me be hyper (I'm a pretty energetic person normally) since well before Christmas - I've had my implant since March of 2014, so the later part of 2014 was pretty rough for me. And he commented that now I'm back to my super-hyper, energetic self.

I've been reading through the recent posts and wanted to let everyone know that if I can answer any questions or talk with anyone about my experiences, I'm happy to - honestly. Some great people here reached out to me during the time that I was considering having my implant removed and I am forever grateful.

I realize that it is terrifying (or at least it was for me) to have these symptoms and try to make such a major decision. I'm always happy to talk to anyone and answer any questions that I can. If you'd like my email address, just let me know or send me a note here and I'll respond as quickly as possible.

Anyway, sorry about rambling on and thanks so much for all of your stories and ongoing support. This is such a wonderful group of people.

Hilary

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[terrybrown12](#) Apr 24, 2015

Yay Hilary!! :)

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[rowdybuddy](#) Apr 25, 2015

Really happy for you Hilary, this is great news.

My recovery has continued to be remarkable, I am at the 6 week mark now and I am also about 80% back to normal and at times I almost feel like it's 100%.

The extreme brain fogginess I had experienced, which was beyond description, and the horrible fatigue and lack of energy/motivation are all completely gone. I am stunned at how alert and sharp my mind is again, this quickly.

If anyone has any questions, feel free to send me a message and I will be happy to do my best to answer them. And once again, thanks to the people who were there to help me make my gut wrenching decision to remove my implant, like Terry Brown and Dr. Mehta and some others!

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[eucalypt](#) Apr 25, 2015

Great news Hilary. Thanks for sharing your progress.

I hope to soon be able to report similar health improvements. My periodontist has agreed to remove my two implants but a definite date hasn't been set yet. I expect it will be in a week or two.

The foggy thinking and the fatigue you describe are so awful. Its like moving though mud all day. Physical and mental mud.

I really hope I will see the sort of progress you have experienced. It seems out of reach right now but it is so inspiring to hear your story. People like you carry the hope for the others here who are still on the journey to wellness.

Thanks again

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[annable100](#) Apr 25, 2015

Implant experience is the worst experience in my life. I won't recommend it to anyone. I was turned into the walking antenna thanks them. Every sound, every vibration from the outside were going exactly into my brain.

Anyone experienced something similar?

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[terrybrown12](#) Apr 25, 2015

Dr Robert Marshall researched this and on his radio show said a titanium implant was like have a cell tower in your head.

By the way, Dr Marshall is the founder of QRA and top of the line, pure supplements. You can google him to learn more.

He lives in Texas and has his dental work done here in Ca by my dentist, Dr. Aguilera's and his implant work is done by Dr Mehta.

I found this to be very impressive and it gave me confidence to have my work done by both Dr M and Dr A.

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[terrybrown12](#) Apr 25, 2015

I am just so happy to read all of these success stories!  
It really makes me happy!

I knew once I had mine removed and had assurance it was the implants causing the problems, I had to share my story and be available to help others in need.

Looking back it was very a very scary time and I know exactly how you are feeling as I felt the same way.

I was blessed to find Dr. Aguilera, a metal free dentist, that assured me that yes the implants could indeed cause problems. Then he referred me to Dr Mehta and he agreed to research and take the implants out for me.

Blessing for me that they are both about 5 miles from my home!

They are both kind and highly skilled. A combo that I love!!

My journey with these was a bit more complicated than most but all in all it worked out and I am healthy now and have a great smile to boot!

So I just wanted to say congrats to those with the courage to go forward and to those searching for a dentist, don't give up!

As always feel free to email me. Those I have been in touch with know I am very busy so my reply emails are quick, but to the point.

I have met some wonderful people here and I love how Hilary, RB and Wendy and others are here to help anyone too.

Support is everything!

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[annable100](#) Apr 25, 2015

I'm still on my journey. I don't know what is health anymore.  
So Dr Marshal has the implants himself?

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[terrybrown12](#) Apr 25, 2015

Yes he does(zirconium). I know what an expert and purist he is, I imagine I would not have put in another implant after the hell I went through without knowing that he tested and approved them and had one himself. He needed an implant for years and waiting a long time for the zirconium to be FDA approved here in the US. He talks about it on his radio show.

Hang in there. I feel you would have immediate relief once the implant is out.

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[Sandmac24](#) Apr 26, 2015

I had found this forum earlier and I am posting to possibly help others. I had a titanium implant put in back in August 2014. I started have small hives and itching in September 2014 but did not relate the two. By December, my body would break out in these hives and I could not sleep. My PCP did a thorough exam and ran a slew of lab tests and ended up placing me on steroids (in addition to the antihistamines). As I was leaving the office he asked "Have you had any dental work done lately?" That's when we first starting thinking it was might be related. Fast forward to multiple visits to the Allergists and visits to my dentist and periodontist - all who said it was not related to the implant. At that point I was having waking up in the middle of the night with hives and the antihistamines were no longer working (I was weaned off the steroids). Based on that, the dentist and periodontist agreed to remove the implant. The implant was well-integrated and I had not had any issues with it at all. Removing this healthy implant would be a first for both of them (they had removed many that had failed). I had it removed about 7 weeks ago. The hives did not stop right away, although they did start decreasing. I was not waking up in the middle of the night and I was able to cut down on the antihistamines. As of right now I may have to take it once every other day, but as soon as I do any redness subsides and the hives do not come out. I did not have any of the other symptoms the people on here discuss - weakness, foggy, etc - it was just pure hives and itching. My advice is that if you have ruled out everything else, it may be a reaction to the implant. Mine was 100% titanium and yet my body reacted. I appreciate my doctors listening to me and being open to move forward with something they were reluctant to do. It has definitely worked out for me.

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[hwin44](#) Apr 26, 2015

Thank you Terry!

Thank you Rowdybuddy! I'm so happy to hear that you're recovery is going so well. At times, 100% - that is beyond fabulous news!

Yes, you're right, the brain fog, the debilitating fatigue, lack of energy and motivation were so awful. I'm really glad that it's completely gone for you. It is for me as well, which completely surpasses my expectations of this process.

Eucalypt, thank you! I'm so happy that your periodontist has agreed to remove your implants. Yes, the foggy thinking and fatigue are awful. It is exactly like you say, like moving through mud all day. I understand what you mean when you say that feeling better feels out of reach right now. I felt the same way when I was going through the process of deciding to have my implant removed.

It's really hard to imagine any sort of light at the end of the tunnel when you feel so awful, so exhausted. I'm totally thinking about you and I hope that the date is scheduled quickly. I know that you'll feel much better once they're out!

Annable100, yes I did feel a vibrating sensation and I hated it. I'd wake up in the middle of the night and just feel like my body was vibrating. That symptom did go away almost 100% after I had the implant removed. I like what Terry Brown said about a "cell tower in your head." Yikes! Best of luck to you in your healing journey!

Sandmac24, UGH, the itching. It kept me up at night too. It was actually the symptom that sent me to the internet to try to see what I might have changed in my life last year that could have been causing it.

After a while, I stumbled upon this forum and it felt like a miracle. I started to realize that the crushing fatigue, etc was all interrelated. I'm so happy to hear that you've had the implant out and are doing so much better! I had my implant out 5 weeks ago and the hives are gone, but I still have patches of eczema occasionally. I did find a creme that works like magic, it's called Vicco Tumeric cream, and I buy it from Amazon. In case you're still having the itching symptoms. So glad you're feeling better! It's great that you're doctors were willing to remove the implant so quickly.

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[Crissy6433](#) Apr 29, 2015

Thank you for your response. I totally understand you 100%!! It is incredible how the body starts to deteriorate with these implants. I have come to terms with the concept of wearing a denture. My health is wealth as I am certain is it for all of us. I will keep you posted and please update us all. Wishing you health and good results. Cheers! ps. definitely the "root" of the problem

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[Beauti3](#) May 02, 2015

Thanks for responding, Crissy.

I found out yesterday that I am not a candidate for having my implant removed with the Neobiotech tool. It won't work because of the size of my jaw, the position of the implant, and its being too close to the two adjacent teeth -- not enough room to get in to get the implant. My teeth are all very small and in my small mouth, like that of a child.

But I was told that it may be the best idea to go back to my oral surgeon to have it removed (as I was going to do in the first place, before I found this support group). And that way if there is loss of bone, that can be done right away after the extraction. I think ANYTHING that goes in to fill in bone HAS to be better than the titanium. At one point the implant was "slow" death, but suddenly it became "quick" demise!!

After reading so many posts over and over again, and realizing other people here have vacillated many times over a short period of time of whether or not to go through with it, just as soon as I have enough strength, I am going to do it.

And after I think about it, it's really just one tooth/implant that is involved. It took me well over a year when I was in my early forties to have all my mercury fillings out and replaced with safe fillings. I thank you all for posting your experiences and comments here. It has given me lots of information and I believe that what you all have said has led me in the right direction to finally get this horrible black "spike" removed from my jaw.

Thank you all.

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[rowdybuddy](#) May 03, 2015

Congratulations on getting to this point and making your decision. It seems pretty universal that making the final decision is extremely difficult. Most or all of us suffered such severe brain foggiess at that point, and it's such a huge decision to make.

It seems like some people had problems from their implants that took longer to become problematic while some people's happened quicker. I initially had a severe breakout of hives, but didn't start getting really sick until about the 3rd month after the implant was installed. Once I started getting sick, I got incredibly ill amazingly fast. Within six weeks I went from fairly functional to nearly completely bedridden and pretty sure I was in the process of dying.

Let us know when you have your date set up, hopefully it's ASAP so you can have your demon removed and we can have one more person here sharing stories of success and relief.

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[studiotea](#) May 06, 2015

Hello,

I decided to adress this to Dr. Mehta, but naturally any help will be higly appreciated! As some of you know I had my titanium implant removed over a month ago. I didn't notice a huge difference in the way I felt, but after some other health oriented changed I am now feeling clearly better. I wouldn't say that it's just removing the implant that's made the difference, but whatever it is I can only hope that this is permanent and that things will still keep improving little by little.

However, I went to see a dentist as another tooth got sore. He found out that there was a cavity in the middle of the tooth (the cavity started from the side and reached towards the center) and it went all the way to the nerve. He said it barely touched the nerve but there would be a 50% chance that I would need a root canal. Afterwards he said that the chance may be a bit better, I think it was because there wasn't fluid coming or something like that.

I know for sure that I won't be having any root canals, so now I'd like to do whatever I can to save this tooth from getting removed. I found out there's some kind of cap systems, but does anyone here know what would be the best thing to do now? Or is it too late now that the filling was already put in place? If I should see another dentist for a cap or something how much hurry is there? I might need to fly to another country so I was wondering if it's better to do it immediately or maybe in a week or two would be fine.

The dentist put some medicine on the cavity before installing the filling, but obviously that's the only thing he did. It's now one day since the operation and the tooth hurts when I drink (although less than before the operation), but obviously that's still natural at this stage. If anyone has any ideas about what I should do I would be so grateful, thank you!

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[Ti Removal dentist](#) May 07, 2015

If the tooth hurts especially to heat or cold (mainly cold), it means the nerve is infected. Unfortunately, that is an irreversible condition and the only way to save the tooth is to do the root canal. If you are against the root canal, then the only solution is to extract the tooth. There is a holistic approach to performing a root canal which is what I do on a regular basis. The old belief (ie. Hal Huggins / Westin Price) was to pull all infected teeth. But with new technologies (ie. microscopes, lasers, non-metal filling materials, etc...), it's possible to do a root canal and still keep the tooth.

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[Ti Removal dentist](#) May 07, 2015

There is a patient on this board who had the same thing. I removed her two implants and she emailed me that she noticed a significant reduction in sound echoing through her head. If she's reading this, maybe she can comment.

Dr. M

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[Tunaboy](#) May 07, 2015

Hi Rowdy,

did you get any tingling/numbness in your extremities? I also get a sunburn/cold sensation, occasional muscle aches and headaches. Those are my primary symptoms, but no rash of any sort and no problems at the site.

Did you ever have a Melisa metal test done? I am planning to get one before proceeding with removal. Although it seems some people improved even after having a negative test result.

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[rowdybuddy](#) May 07, 2015

I never experienced any numbness or tingling anywhere, never had the sunburn/cold thing either. My head would get really hot and I would have to put my head under cold running water to cool off. Sometimes a few times per day, sometimes 20 times per day.

I did not have headaches but I was on a medicine already to prevent them. Any time I have tooth problems it triggers headaches, so I was taking Gabapentin to prevent the headaches.

My muscle and joint pain was very constant and very severe. Aside from the massive fatigue and brain foginess, the muscle and joint aches were my next biggest ailment.

I did do the Melisa test. FYI it cost me a total of \$535. It was \$450 for the test itself, \$50 to have a doctor order it, and \$35 for the local lab that drew the blood and sent it off. You have to go to the Melisa website at <http://www.melisa.org/> and contact them to find a lab in your area that can draw the blood and send it off. It is all very specific and has to be done a very certain way. Only certain doctors can order the test, you find out local ones through the Melisa website. The doctor orders the test kit and they send it to whatever lab in your area you designate as where you want to have it done.

My test came back positive for nickel and vanadium allergies. My oral surgeon contacted the implant maker, they told him the implant had no nickel. They said it did have some vanadium, but only inside the screw portion that screwed into the bone. They claimed it was not possible that it could be released and get into my system.

It's neither here nor there to me at this point. My biggest deciding factor was the similarity of symptoms I had to several other people who got relief by having their implants removed. I do think there have been people test negative with Melisa and still get relief by removing their implants, so who knows, I don't begin to know how to advise someone on whether or not to spend the money to have the test done.

Best of luck to you whichever way you decide to go.

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[terrybrown12](#) May 07, 2015

Numbness and tingling were my primary symptoms. Then crashing fatigue and chest pains with it hard to breath. Severe muscle and joint pain too.

I discussed Melissa Test with my dentist (Dr A) and he felt titatium implants on their own are toxic enough and the testing might be a waste of time and money. I skipped the testing and just had them removed.

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[terrybrown12](#) May 11, 2015

Hi Dr M,

Do you have handy the information I sent you a while back from the biochemist that had a titanium implant and shared with me the biocompatibility of Zirconium. (How it is not a harmful metal in the body) I can never find it when I need that information. It's good to have here on the board.

Thanks!

Terry

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[studiotea](#) May 11, 2015

Hi,

Thank you very much for your reply! It's so kind of you to share your knowledge here!

So you mean that every time a tooth hurts it means the tooth can't be saved anymore? I thought it's quite common to have a tootache and then have a dentist fix that with a filling, but obviously I'm wrong? So now that I've had the filling put in and there's still some sensitivity to cold that means I'll have two options: a root canal or an extraction, right? I hope you don't mind me using your kindness a bit more and asking a couple of more questions:

So you think that with holistic methods it's possible to have a root canal done so that there should not be a risk of trapped bacteria?

Have you heard about Vital pulp therapy or maybe some other similar approaches? Do you think that could be a possible alternative and if so, would it be too late to get it done now that it's been almost a week since having the filling put in?

I also wonder why the dentist I went to said there would be a good chance of avoiding a root canal in this case. I mean, if having a tootache means always that the tooth has been lost, why would he state that? Lack of knowledge maybe, I don't know. I'm just making sure there isn't a misunderstanding here, as it's sometimes hard for me to find the right words to express myself as correctly as possible.

Thank you so so much!!

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[LauraLJ](#) May 11, 2015

Thanks to all for the great information contributed here. It's probably been asked/answered...maybe I'm just looking for confirmation as well! I had a titanium implant placed in May of 2012 (lower left tooth #19 and #18) and things have gone downhill since then health wise. I feel in my gut that it's the implant (I ended up with 2 of them...long story..can't believe I was suckered into this!).

Like so many others, my problems came on slowly so it wasn't crystal clear at first what they were being caused by. Previous to the crown being placed I had a weird metallic taste in my mouth. Just felt "off". But everyone said it was "fine". Integrated perfectly. I also had a weird flu bug in December 2012 (and I never get sick like that) that resulted in very strange horrific lower back pain complications (like a kidney stone on both sides). Related??

When I had the first crown placed in Feb 2013 (it was an Emax crown cemented onto the abutment) my mouth literally "blew up" in less than a month. Felt like I had fiberglass soaked in acid stuffed in my mouth. They cut the crown off and the gum under the crown was like raw hamburger. Eventually got a special "screw on" crown. But the mouth burning, horrible irritation, everything tastes weird, can't even think of eating anything remotely "spicey" have never gone away; in fact, they've continued to get worse. Of course, the whole time they're telling me it's thrush, I just need to get my teeth cleaned, etc.. No way that the implant could "possibly" be causing anything like this. No mouthwash, rinses, antibiotics, etc. has made a bit of difference.

So....fast forward to "now". I was subsequently diagnosed with a severe Vitamin D deficiency...I thought maybe that was causing all of my symptoms. My D levels are going up. Maybe 10% of my symptoms are going away. I truly think the rest are these toxic titanium implants.

I guess one of my biggest questions is...how many people have experienced the weird kind of anxious depression with this? It's almost a hopeless feeling. Combined with the aching and sore joints, muscles, exhaustion, feeling like you just want to burst into tears. I've had anxiety attacks for years and control it "as needed" with Xanax. This is way beyond anything I've felt before and seems to get worse each day.

I've been through a battery of allergy and immunological tests. Ige is elevated. Tested positive for Palladium allergy. Allergist was concerned at seeing some "autoimmune" things not quite right on the tests. She can see that "something" is really troubling my system....but can't figure out "what".

I've been trying to get some cooperation from my primary care doctor to run the Melisa test but I'm wondering now if it's a waste of time. All of these things coincided with the implants and continue to get worse - even with my D levels rising. My gut just tells me they need to come out...trying to find someone to assist there is the next big question.

I guess though, the most troubling thing is the depression. Like a "shaky" and hopeless feeling. Never felt anything like it before and it's horrible. Anyone else experience anything even close?

Also was wondering how many people started to experience the bad symptoms after the crown was placed? Could it be - sort of like the hip implants - once the crown is placed the implant itself is being "disrupted" every time we chew or make contact with our teeth....which is releasing titanium particles or ?? into our systems? Just a thought! Sorry this got so long! :)

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[rowdybuddy](#) May 12, 2015

"I guess though, the most troubling thing is the depression. Like a "shaky" and hopeless feeling. Never felt anything like it before and it's horrible. Anyone else experience anything even close? "

Yes, it's universal, everybody I've interacted with here has described very similar feelings. It happened to me, and I have never had any anxiety or depression issues ever. During my illness I felt absolutely no hope whatsoever. Words could not express how terrible it was, it was beyond belief. And that has completely gone away since having my implant removed two months ago. This metal toxicity attacks the immune system and nervous system and does horrific things. And you will not just by chance happen to find doctors or allergists who know anything about this. Yet.

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[LauraLJ](#) May 12, 2015

Thanks so much rowdybuddy. That pretty much describes how I feel...along with the host of 'physical' symptoms as well - joint and muscle pain, waking up every morning aching like I have the flu in a cold sweat, literally zero stamina or energy, total brain fog, mouth burning (99% on the left side where the implants are), weird knotted muscles in my shoulder and neck (all on left side), etc..

And the strange 'complications' I had with that flu bug in Dec 2012...was it from the "flu" or was it just the catalyst for the 'poison' to attack other parts of the body? Oddly enough, a local woman here reported the same exact "complications" as mine and she had - oddly enough - a titanium hip replacement a few months prior. Hmmm.....

Perhaps the worst part is the total disinterest and denial on the part of the medical and dental "industry". I'm very angry at the lot of them right now. I should have researched it to death before (like I usually do) instead of "trusting" them.

I'm calling the oral surgeon who placed the first one now to see about getting an appointment asap to get them "out". And I'll explore just getting some kind of little partial (it's 2 teeth right next to each other). There seem to be a variety of options out there for a small 2 tooth partial denture that are a fraction of the cost of what I paid for these toxic things.....people seem generally happy with them. And if you have a problem with them you can simply take them out! Wish that would have been presented to me as option in the beginning. Instead, they make it sound like you can't even eat baby food with any sort of "denture". I guess because those "products" don't make enough \$\$ for them to buy another Mercedes.

I plan on participating here as much as I can....all of the comments here have helped me so much. If I can even help one other person to overcome this hell I will be happy to do so.

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[terrybrown12](#) May 12, 2015

My dentist Dr Aguilera who gave me information on the dangers of titanium implants and sent me to Dr Mehta to have them removed has an interview on rootcanals and an upcoming interview on implants this saturday.

Here is the link

<http://medicenterprises.com/>

Hopefully this is ok to post here.

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[terrybrown12](#) May 14, 2015

I listend to the entire interview on root canals last night and am excited to hear the interview on implants this Saturday.

This is the BEST resource for us all!

The interviews are by subscription or 2.00 to listen to one.

Well worth the price!!!

<http://medicenterprises.com/>

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[rowdybuddy](#) May 14, 2015

Considering I've spent \$8,000 to nearly die and then end up with a gap in my teeth, another \$2 isn't going to be the end of the world!

I listened to the root canal one and thought it was real interesting.

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[terrybrown12](#) May 14, 2015

I can't wait for the one on implants! This is so great to have this information out there for people to hear!

Glad you liked the root canal talk, I found it very informative and my mind was put at ease again as I have several root canals and have several redone by Dr Mehta.

Sooooo glad you are doing better!!

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[rowdybuddy](#) May 14, 2015

Thanks Terry. I had some ups and downs, the downs being nowhere near as bad as the way I felt when I had the implant in still. But now at basically 9 weeks after the removal, I am staying at about 90-100% recovered right now. The last two weeks have been steadily very close to 100%, I am just amazed at how big the turnaround has been and how fast it happened.

I'm going to email you later with some questions about the root canal situation. I had one done about 6 years ago and I think it's the only one I've ever had, as far as it ever causing me any problems I don't think it has, not that I know of anyway. But I have learned a hard lesson about trusting dental work, so now I'm wondering if I should be concerned about the root canal I had.

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[Beauti3](#) May 14, 2015

My 28 years of disability was preceded by having 2 root canals. Three years ago, I was finally diagnosed with Lyme disease. After researching all that I could over the years, even before there were any online resources, like this forum for example, I was able to find out lots about root canals and how they are toxic waste "dumps" in our mouths. I met the man who wrote "The Root Canal Cover-Up" years ago. Before he wrote the book, he was instrumental in getting the whole root canal business going strong. Then he found out how wrong he was; and was diligent in trying to get the word out on the dangers of root canals. And I hear there is a book out now on root canals and their connection to cancer.

Commenting on Lyme disease, the science seems to be showing that it can lie dormant for years, and then after some kind of severe stress or trauma, whether physical or emotional, or whatever, Lyme can get a strong foothold and call all kinds of havoc.

I was diagnosed some twenty years ago with 3 mycoplasma infections and numerous other infections (with strange-sounding names I couldn't even pronounce.) It is my belief that the root canals started the whole spiral downward and that's what caused the awful neurologic, physical, mental, emotional symptoms that I developed. Didn't help for sure that I had a mouthful of mercury fillings too, which I had to get removed over a year's time period.

When I had the titanium implant put in 8 years ago, I didn't know I had Lyme disease. I was feeling quite strong just before having it put in; and because so many of my symptoms in the past three years since being diagnosed with Lyme, seemed just like an exacerbation of the Lyme symptoms, I thought that THAT was what was causing all this terrible stuff. If I knew then what I know now, I wouldn't have done it. But I am sure I speak for the rest of us "poor souls" in this regard as well. (Hindsight!!!)

What it comes down to, I think, is that many of us, who may not get any relief from having our implant removed, is that we still have underlying infections or other heavy metals in our mouths or circulating throughout our bodies that need to get addressed and that we need to get as much "out" as possible. I think that these poisons and infections can damage our liver and makes it hard to excrete much of this toxic stuff. And I think finding a doctor or naturopath or some other professional to help us to work on this is really important, especially when we are really sick and it is difficult to do this on our own.

I have a couple of questions I am trying to find answers for; and will post some of these questions and hopefully

I can get an answer to some of them, as I cannot find any online answers elsewhere. And I want to get my implant removed next month, but cannot go ahead til I know the answers on how to proceed with a "bone material" in the case of fracture or bone loss upon extraction of the implant. I am very allergic to Zirconia and cannot have the implant replaced; will have to have a bridge of some kind, but this is a lower front tooth; cannot use the Neobiotech tool as I explained in a previous post, but I don't want to have a big "gap" there in the lower front jaw!!!

What options do I have for replacement bone? Dr. Mehta: Can you answer? Can I be tested somehow in advance for the options before I go ahead? I am really nervous about this, as I don't want to get in even WORSE shape, as I have multiple chemical sensitivities as well.

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Wishing the best to all of you in your endeavors to regain your health! I am so very thankful and grateful for this forum.

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[LauraLJ](#) May 14, 2015

Sorry to butt in here. I've read so many different conversations over the last few months....but, terrybrown12, were you one that didn't really experience many noticeable adverse affects with the implant until the crown went on?

My apologies if you're not the one....but it's exactly what happened to me and what I'm still miserable with so thought it would ask. Thanks in advance. :)

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[terrybrown12](#) May 14, 2015

Hi,

That was not the case with me. I know some here have said that.

Maybe it was Wendy. I will email here and see if she can check in here.

From reading your post the the thing that struck me the most was how you mentioned a gut feeling.

I can tell you from experience I did too and I ignored it for 4 years. Turned out my gut feeling was right!

Terry

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[LauraLJ](#) May 14, 2015

Thanks so much Terry! I did find a comment from Wendy after I posted my comment and I think it was her (GAH!! Brain fog...should have looked deeper first!).

That would be great if she wanted to comment. I'm sure as so many others have experienced, the value of having others to talk to about this and know that you're not just nuts is so helpful.

I guess the only good thing that's come of this is, during the last 2 years of running every test imaginable I did discover I had a severe Vitamin D deficiency. Likely what caused my tooth problems over the years to begin with. And so many of the D deficiency symptoms are similar to the ones reported by reactions to implants.....I began to second guess myself again. But, as my D levels are rising I'm seeing maybe 10% relief in some of my symptoms. So, "something" is still causing the other 90%. And yes.....my gut and intuition are telling me it's the implants. My primary docs nurse had an experience with titanium pins in her broken ankle and she finally made them take "every piece of that crap" (as she said) out of her body. She was actually starting to get some weird systemic symptoms herself. And she also said her gut was the basis for her decision. Funny that after they took out all the titanium, all of her symptoms went away also.

I guess in my case I do have some "local" symptoms (although the weird shaky, spacey, hopeless depression is probably the absolute worst one). Not exactly symptoms at the very implants themselves I guess (both are bottom left molar and premolar and right next to each other). But I consider my mouth feeling like it's stuffed with fiberglass soaked in acid or vinegar to be a "local" symptom (and clearly much worse on the left side)...even if all the dentists don't seem to think that's "related".

Thanks again! And hope that Wendy can comment too!  
(sorry...I don't intend to write a "novel" again...it just seems to happen! :) )

~ Laura

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[terrybrown12](#) May 15, 2015

send me an email, terrybrown12 at aol dot com

I contacted Wendy, she is not on the board anymore but she said to give you her email. She is very helpful and have the same issue with crown.

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[terrybrown12](#) May 15, 2015

Don't freak over your root canal.

Email me and I will share what i have learned. :)

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[LauraLJ](#) May 15, 2015

Now that you mention it.....I was going to ask about your root canal too! I have several and I've wondered about them too. One "old" one with some questionable metal post thingee in it. I'll email too! :o)

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[kangarooconcert](#) May 15, 2015

Hi-I'm reading this site as a woman in another group said it helped her when facing the need of dental implants. I need them because a denture alone won't work as I've lost so much bone on the lower. I am chemically sensitive & had a lot of mercury placed over the yrs so I decided to go for a denture instead of redoing root canals. My denture (lower one) got stolen with my purse & wasn't covered. I tried another denture & the material bothered me even tho I tested it. So, I gave up on one & have been gumming my food with only the top one for 5 yrs. I'm clearly in trouble with my bite/jaw & need to redo a denture & add the Zirconia implants to secure. I also need major bone grafting. Very scary to do when I might react to the Zirconia. I have to try this so I can chew again & hopefully the bone will hold the implants OK. What I need to know is-was anyone else chemically sensitive to denture materials & found a good material?? Better than Eclipse?? Also, where is this Dr. Mehta located as he sounds the most experienced for someone like me. I'm 67 & put this off due to finances & concern for metal-now with the ceramic, I may have a better chance. I'm in the US-Minnesota actually.

I only read this tonite so I will try to become familiar with the members in time-This will be a major ordeal & I can use all the help I can get::)) Thanks!

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[terrybrown12](#) May 16, 2015

Hi

Dr M and Dr A are in orange county Ca.

They are great.

I had no problem with zirconium and others here have not had issues as well. We are all pretty sensitive too.

Terry

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[LauraLJ](#) May 19, 2015

Thanks for the info on the Zirconium, Terry. In addition to the removal of the titanium implants, I'm also looking at replacing some questionable crowns (and possibly extracting a tooth with an old root canal which has a metal rod in it of unknown material). I was looking at Zirconium as a possibility for the crowns...but kind of gun shy of all materials at this point. Maybe, after I get the implants resolved, I can get a small piece of Zirconium from the dentist and hold it in my mouth for a few days (or at least for as long as I can) and see if I have any reaction to it. ~ Laura

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[terrybrown12](#) May 19, 2015

<http://medicenterprises.com/2015/05/16/show-208/>

here is the show on TITANIUM verses ZIRCONIUM implants.

Excellent interview!

This thread is listed as a resource. :)

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[VickiT60](#) May 20, 2015

Does anyone know if recently placed (February) and removed titanium implant due to severe jaw pain can cause 10 year old implants to suddenly fail? Previous implants were ok in February and now have severe bone loss (and even more illness and pain).

Any info/advice would be greatly appreciated. Once I have progress I will post entire story.

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[terrybrown12](#) May 20, 2015

I would say yes. Listen to the above posted interview. Dr A goes into this a bit.

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[VickiT60](#) May 20, 2015

New here so mostly trying to keep my mouth shut (not a pun) BUT I have had great Vit D levels for at least 15 years and still developed allergies to "commercially pure titanium" and having systemic problems, migraines, et al, because of dental work... Just saying.

(My brother is an alloy expert- "pure titanium" implants are "commercially pure titanium" which means there is an allowable amount of other metals added to increase hardness, malleability, etc. I think he said 15% can be other metals like nickel, vanadium, etc. )

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[VickiT60](#) May 20, 2015

I watched the free bit but it didn't mention new implants making old ones of bad. Do I have to purchase the whole thing?

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[terrybrown12](#) May 20, 2015

Yes, it's worth two dollars. So is the root canal interview.

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[VickiT60](#) May 21, 2015

I went ahead and bought a year subscription since there is a lot more (if not all) I would like to read. In my case I had a titanium implant placed in February next to 10 year old implant. In April bite wings showed all teeth and implants doing well even though lower jaw now throbbing (6 month dental checkup). Now in May at oral surgeon appt old implant has lost half the bone holding it in even though new implant completely integrated (according to oral surgeon). Severe twice daily migraines started within 2 weeks of February implant and still going on even though new implant removed May 15. So now old implant needs to be removed and upper implant reviewed. Seriously considering proactively removing upper implant before I lose too much bone.

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[terrybrown12](#) May 21, 2015

I have listened to many of the interviews, I like them!

Maybe the last implant was the straw that broke the camels back.

For me I was "off" after the first one then when the second one went in two years later, all hell broke loose and I became scarey sick.

All the best luck to you as you proceed forward.

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[VickiT60](#) May 21, 2015

I started having significant (ER VISIT) migraines when I was 16.

At age 40 I suddenly decided to get breast implants after another round of teasing at work about being flat-chested (yes, he was fired). (And I WAS curious what it'd be like to wear a women's rather than pre-teen bra.) Saline were odd, switched to silicone after 4 years. Migraines got gradually worse. August 2013 felt sudden incredible pain across chest, took another year to get doc to do MRI to verify rupture. Trigeminal nerve block works to stop migraine so dentist removes lower left wisdom tooth but damages molar in process so within 4 weeks also removes molar. Breast implant explantation Dec 2014. Gradually started feeling better- NO migraines. Feb 2015 got additional dental implant to replace removed molar (assumed it was the same as older implants I already had). Felt fine for 2 weeks and suddenly got sickly- constant fatigue, nausea, migraines, debilitating joint pain. Newest implant removed May 15, 2015. Still ill. Quickly losing older Ti dental implant right next to newest implant site. Taste metal in mouth constantly and have rotten taste in mouth, fevers, lightheaded, tremors and muscle twitching, jaw throbbing.

Moral of the story: do not put crap in your body

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[VickiT60](#) May 21, 2015

To those reading: I first approached my dentist 3 years ago complaining about jaw pain. He said no way could it be related to my 7 year old implant in that jaw. I subsequently had the wisdom tooth removed during which molar was damaged and all that was left back there WAS the implant. It appears that you can be having symptoms from an older implant, previously ok and even doc says its fine. I wish I'd had the implant removed first.

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[terrybrown12](#) May 23, 2015

"Moral of the story: do not put crap in your body"

that's the bottom line truth Vicki!

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[LauraLJ](#) May 23, 2015

I've argued that "Commercially Pure Titanium" point to everyone also VickiT60! I'm not an expert, but did work with a goldsmith for about 6 years when I was younger so I'm at least "aware" of alloys, etc.. And the manufacturers are very secretive about exactly what that "Mystery Metal" is making up the missing percentage (I've heard anywhere from 8%-15%). I do have a verified allergy to Palladium. I have high levels of Cadmium in my system. Both are metals that are used in dental materials but they'll tell you "They wouldn't use metals like that.". Well...then please tell us what they are!



And I think I've been walking a similar path to many others. As in, shortly after having the implants/crowns having all of these "symptoms" creeping in. As far as the D deficiency...so many of the symptoms are the same or similar which makes it really frustrating. My D levels are going up though and the symptoms are not resolving. I've literally been tested and checked for everything under the sun...the implants are the only thing left. And the crowns. The implant crowns are E-Max (lithium disilicate). I have 2 implant crowns and 3 "other" crowns that are E-Max. Funny that, now, wherever there's an E-Max crown my mouth is burning, irritated (and visibly too!).

I think my biggest symptom besides the obvious issues in my mouth are the constant and horrible aching and throbbing in my legs and "lower" joints. Weird, spacey unreal kind of depression is also right in there too.

When you mention debilitating joint pain...is it all over? Just the joints or muscular too?

I did consult with the oral surgeon this past week. He's willing to remove them (and we discussed methods, etc....I do feel that he knows what he's doing). He would like to see what happens if the crowns are removed for a couple of weeks (seems reasonable....I doubt it will make a difference but I'll give him 2 weeks). If symptoms don't resolve or I wish to have them removed then we'll proceed. I guess I'll look at getting some kind of partial denture or something. This is lower left for me...pre molar and molar. My last molar on the left is questionable and may need to "go" in which case I'll be missing 3 teeth lower left in the back...so I guess some kind of partial is my only option. What has everyone else done to replace the implants? I guess a partial isn't perfect but at least if I have a problem I can take the thing out of my mouth!

The only thing that scares me is having the implants removed and it not resolving the symptoms...which would leave me clueless as to where to turn next. I've literally been checked for everything they can think of!

And yes....no more "crap" in my body ever again!

I wrote a book again! Yeesh...sorry about that! :o)

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[bjbelieve](#) Dec 31, 2015

I have not had implants, but I have had crowns which afterward I developed many symptoms. I researched crowns and found out that on line many people had problems with the lithium ones. You can also see info on NIH Pubmed where there are reports on there problems. I chose bruxzir crowns and did ok until they installed it with perm. cement. Then lots of problems started to happen systemically. You can also see many reports on NIH Pubmed which verifies the cytotoxicity of dental resins, in particular methacrylates. They are used in many dental products from cement, temp crowns, buildups etc. It is almost impossible to get away from them. One report by UCLA dental school states they found the amino acid NAC N-acetylcysteine mediates the damage from these dental products. Note, they know how toxic they are to the extent that many universities have done studies to mediate the toxicity. Hence they found NAC. You may want to try to take it. It may help -you can find it at most vitamin supplement stores or sites and take as directed on bottle. However, you should file a claim with the FDA to get this stuff off the market. No guarantees on that, as I wondered how such toxic substances got past the FDA. When I discussed with master chemists they wondered to as they are the most knowledgeable on the toxicity. When handling some methacrylates in a lab, they "suit up" even with breathing apparatus depending on the lab. When I looked into the dental panel of the FDA that oks this stuff I found that it included no chemists, but rather 1 med. dr. , several dentists and of course regulatory compliance person was a vp at one of the companies that makes the stuff. Conflict of interest? I have done lots of research on this. My medical dr. now thinks that some serious medical problem I have had was probably caused by dental resins. May I add that most of the raw materials for dental resins and dental products are coming from China even though they may be American companies selling it. Bisphenol A, the endocrine disruptor that the FDA has recently banned in baby bottles is often a main ingredient in composite fillings. They think it is neutralized by their "lights". But again if you do your research on NIH Pubmed you will see that is not always the case. And they are such small molecules they eventually pass thru the dentin and go systemic. I have finally found dentist working with me. I was told I was hypersensitive, but if you read the studies you will see that dental resins - methacrylates- actually kill dna and induce swelling on human cells. period. Their studies do not single out any hypersensitivity by one individual. Again, you may want to try the NAC to see if it helps if they used any of

these resins in your root canal filler, buildups etc. If the dentist questions you, present the reports from NIH Pubmed. I have done this and they have started to believe a little. One dentist is even now I think wondering how safe it really is for them to be working with it everyday. Dentists have a high mortality rate. This is too big to fight by the little person as these companies are big - like 3M etc. Best advice is look at the MSDS for anything going in your mouth, check the NIH Pubmed site for more info. you can just search there. Check the CAS numbers on all the MSDS ingredients. They are replacing silver fillings with I believe far more toxic alternatives. The advice to me is using Bruxzir crown with very old fashion zinc phosphate cement. This info is supposedly my safest option and suggested by a leading university dental toxicologist. Spread the word. Buyer beware. That's the only way to eventually, hopefully stop the use of these toxic dental products.

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[IGI2015](#) May 24, 2015

Hello,

Did someone know for good doctor in Europe for save take out Ti ?

Is someone wrote about doctor from Salzburg ?

Thank you,

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[annable100](#) May 25, 2015

Terry, can I email you too please? I need the info about root canal please.

Thank you!

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[terrybrown12](#) May 25, 2015

Yes anyone feel free to email me and I can share what resources and knowledge I have from my own experience. :)

I think you can also ask Dr Mehta here any questions as this is what he does. I would not trust a typical endodontist to do a root canal on me.

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[luvhermadly](#) May 26, 2015

Baloney. You can never get all of the infected root out of the tooth which leads to an ongoing, low-grade infection.....period!

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[VickiT60](#) May 27, 2015

Yes, joint pain everywhere, in small joints and large. Hands swollen in morning. Also, that weird thumb thing, as if you start losing the opposability of the thumb. AND, for me, a long bone pain; a sharp stab lasting a few seconds in the middle of the long bones of the arms and the long bones of the legs. I also have the floating (medicine-y) head thing and accompanying depression.

Where are you located? My oral surgeon says he will not remove any more of my implants so I'm looking for new doc. I'm in Richmond, Virginia.

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[VickiT60](#) May 27, 2015

If I can get last lower implant removed I will be missing both full molars (17 and 18) and wisdom tooth on lower left jaw with severe bone loss on both molars. When people say "bone graft" does that mean \*I\* am the donor? Isn't there some sort of purified corpse bone powder they can use to recreate the bone? Pros and cons of all methods? I'm not sure I'll ever fully recover from the surgeries I've already had so far...

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[terrybrown12](#) May 27, 2015

Hi Vicki, There are a few different types of graft. Mine was synthetic and it allowed bone to grow in the area over a six month period.

I was not crazy about the idea but it worked well and I had no ill effects.

It is just something that needs to be done to prevent major bone loss and also needed for my new implants.

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[PT105](#) May 28, 2015

Because I have a history of occasional reactions to dental anesthetics, it is one of the things I had to consider when trying to determine the cause of my worsening health following two dental surgeries within a few weeks of one another, both requiring extra large amounts of anesthetic over a period of several hours each. The first was

for bone augmentation and the second for placement of two titanium implants on the opposite side.

When my symptoms did not improve following removal of the implants 6 months later, I began taking a closer look at several other aspects relating to the surgeries, including the anesthetic. My understanding is that there are two classes, both of which contain one or another preservative (paraben or sulfite type), and a third kind that is preservative-free. I am very sensitive to epinephrine, which extends the action of the anesthetic, so by having to use an epi-free one, the already toxic potential of the preservatives was augmented by the extra amounts needed because of the lengthiness of the surgeries.

I don't know if the preservative is what has made me sensitive to the epinephrine and whether I would tolerate an anesthetic with epi but no preservative. It is something I will have to investigate. It appears there is a strong association however between sulfites and sensitivity to free glutamic acid, which I also experience, and causes the same neurotoxic symptoms that have been so problematic for me since the surgeries.

Here are links to some information on the subjects:

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3417971/>

<http://www.oralhealthgroup.com/news/articaine-and-paresthesia-in-dental-anaesthesia-neurotoxicity-or-procedural-trauma/1003465568/?&er=NA>

<http://www.msgmyth.com/discus/messages/4/2095.html?1364455587>

Some aspects of my health began to minimally improve about 2 months after implant removal but nerve damage did not, and excitotoxic symptoms remain relatively more active. (It is now nearly 4 months post-removal).

That no one on here who has had their titanium implants removed has reported new problems following zirconia implant surgeries suggests that for most people, anesthetic toxicity is not an issue. However the intense itching that some people complained of, for instance, appears to be a known potential side effect of the anesthetics.

While I will never know if titanium played a part in the worsening of my health, I feel more certain about the probable role of preservatives in the anesthetics that were used, particularly sulfites (for me). For those few others who have had their titanium implants removed and are disappointed with their level of recovery, it might be something to consider, especially if they plan on replacing them with zirconia or will be needing further surgeries of any kind.

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[rowdybuddy](#) May 28, 2015

Thanks for all the information.

When I first went to my oral surgeon with a concern that my problems might be from the titanium implant, he suggested getting tested for all the things used in the anesthetics, and he gave me a full list. I ended up never doing that and have lost the list, but it's a valid thing to consider, especially for anyone who has had implants removed and is still having problems.

I am 12 weeks post removal, and feel almost 100% recovered, but two odd things for me are that I still have to take an anti-histamine every 2-3 days or I will start itching a lot, and it will raise small red bumps if I scratch (I

had severe hives when I first had my initial reaction after the implant was installed).

The one other bizarre thing I still experience occasionally is sudden tiring and an incredibly deep sleep that comes on. The sleep can last 5 minutes or an hour or two. Even if it's only 5 minutes, when I wake up I am amazed how zonked out I was, and at first I have no clue where I am or if it's day or night, all very weird. Feels the same as when you first wake up after surgery.

I never looked into how and where one can be tested for this, and I haven't had time to look over any of the info you provided. These sudden deep naps are happening less often, so maybe it's just going to be a matter of time before they stop.

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[LauraLJ](#) May 30, 2015

I'm in the Billings, Montana area, VickiT60. I was kind of surprised that the oral surgeon was willing to discuss this. But he also saw me shortly after the crown (first one) went on and my mouth literally blew up (felt like it was stuffed with fiberglass soaked in vinegar and battery acid!). He also did just say that while he hasn't ever seen anything like this - other than me - he's also learned to "never say never".

I'll be relocating to NC hopefully during the next 6 months so I actually had looked ahead to try and find a good oral surgeon in that area...preparing myself for him to not be agreeable to removing them. Better get it done now while I'm here and have someone willing to do it!

I also find it ridiculous that oral surgeons, etc. are refusing to remove the implants! They'll do all kinds of other "elective" type procedures purely for cosmetic purposes. Yet, they won't agree to do something that is a "suspect" in all sorts of health issues...both local and systemic. Makes no sense to me!

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[rowdybuddy](#) May 30, 2015

I live in NC, I have an oral surgeon I can highly recommend, and he did remove my implant even though it was the first time he has ever removed one that did not show problems at the site. He was a little skeptical at first, but I was as well early on. Believe it or not, once I started really thinking it could be the implant and made an appointment to tell him that, he said you can never say never and he did start researching this and looking into it. He's warmed up to the whole thing and was very willing to remove the implant by the time we did it. His name is Dr. Mark Shehan and he is in Winston-Salem. I had sent Vicki a message telling her about him but I guess she never saw the message. Best of luck to both of you.

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[PT105](#) May 31, 2015

Wow, I'm impressed with your surgeon for having thought of the anesthetic as possibly being the problem and for suggesting testing. I wish mine had done the same. Even the dentist who knew I was sensitive to at least one of the anesthetics he used never told me about preservatives in it or suggested testing.

Given your remaining symptoms, it's possible you would still benefit from testing, or alternatively, requesting an anesthetic with a different preservative or no preservative next time you need surgery.

It's great that you're almost completely back to normal. Yes, most often side effects will resolve in time. It wouldn't hurt to try to keep physical and other kinds of stress to a minimum until then, and if you believe there is any chance they're preservative-related, to temporarily avoid naturally occurring or added sulfites or parabens in food and drink.

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[Tunaboy](#) Jun 01, 2015

Hey everyone. Has anyone noticed taking allergy meds reduced your symptoms at all?

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jun 01, 2015

Antihistamines (allergy meds) helped me with hives and that's it. Allegra, Tagamet, Zantac, Xyrtec etc etc....

There's two types, and you need to be taking one of each type to be most effective. Dosages vary too, when I first got hives from the implant I started taking 2 Zantac and 2 Zyrtec per day and as time went on kept lowering the dosages.

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[LauraLJ](#) Jun 01, 2015

Thank you so much for the info on your oral surgeon in NC, Rowdybuddy! It makes me feel much better to know I have a "backup" if my oral surgeon here decides to not remove them. He already committed to doing it if that's what I really wanted...so I'm going to try and hold him to it.

I had the crowns removed today (lower left molar and premolar right next to each other). Healing abutments were put on. This was what the oral surgeon suggested since my biggest problems seemed to come on about a month after the crowns were placed when my mouth "blew up" and felt like it was on fire and stuffed with fiberglass soaked in acid.

Interesting response...on my drive home (within about 30 minutes) everything got MUCH worse in my mouth! The metallic taste, the burning, the feeling as if some kind of chemical/solvent was in my mouth. And all seemingly coming from the left side. My theory was that the crowns had been acting to only allow whatever is

"in there" to seep into my mouth...once he removed the crowns it was like taking the lid off of a bottle of "toxic metal juice". I go back to the oral surgeon next week. I've seen enough with the crowns "off". I want the implants out of my body!

Odd too...the aching in my right leg got much worse along with cramping muscles in my left shoulder/back. These are the symptoms that cause me to second guess myself as they're also symptoms of my severe Vitamin D deficiency. But why would they suddenly "flare" like that within 30-60 minutes of removing the crowns? My D levels have been going up...and these symptoms are not going away. I guess maybe they're not caused by the D deficiency after all?

I'll pursue getting a flexible type partial for right now so at least I have those 2 molars to chew with! Anyone have any experience with DuraFlex or Valplast or similar? Maybe someday I can look at Zirconium implants but for right now I'd like to go back to a healthy baseline and assess things from there. That is, HOPING that once I get these removed I'll get better!

OH...and yes on the antihistamines, TunaBoy! I've been using them daily since I noticed a slight improvement in how I felt after taking them (about 3 months ago). I've only been taking one Claritin daily but it helps a bit. Maybe I'll try two until I get these blasted things out!

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jun 01, 2015

Thanks again for the input, and I will definitely be getting tested and paying attention to this for future reference.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jun 01, 2015

All the problems you've had are so bizarre, sorry to hear you've experienced all of that. The only thing I can relate to and comment on is the muscle and joint pain aspect. During the last six weeks before my implant was removed I suffered excruciating muscle and joint pain all over, in particular in my left elbow and left shoulder for some reason. I had never had issues with this before, and it all went away after the removal of the implant. I noticed a big change the very next day, and within three days it was mostly gone.

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[LauraLJ](#) Jun 01, 2015

Well...if it wasn't for the actual symptoms in my mouth Rowdybuddy I'm not sure if I ever would have made the connection. At least they kind of shined the light in that general area.

In large part it was the discussion here that I found one day that really made me focus clearly on the implants (and I've literally browsed/read all 8 pages of it!). And many of your comments really hit home. Like the joint



and muscle pain for one! I mean, who would ever associate that with a dental implant! But that has been some of my biggest issues. The "mouth" stuff is small potatoes compared to the all over "systemic" stuff. Feeling like you have the flu every day. Deep aching to the bone. And the weird depression feelings. Those are my "Big Two". And for me...again, those are top symptoms of the D deficiency so everyone just sort of glosses over it.

I know you've probably answered it multiple times...but the excruciating muscle and joint pain you experienced? Pretty much how I would describe me...but any other details you'd care to share I would certainly welcome! In my case it's mostly upper body on the left side (where the implants are) but the hip/leg/foot (from top to bottom!) is on the right side. It actually came on fairly suddenly for me when I had a weird flu bug in between getting the implant and having the crown placed. I was getting over the bug (wasn't really that sick anyway) and then this horrific pain started on both sides of my back in the kidney area. I thought I was having a double kidney stone attack. I literally ended up in the ER and I'm NOT a "run to the doctor" person. And I've never been the same since. The pain subsided from the ER type pain but has been with me every day since then. There are days where pain meds don't even touch it. Feels like the body aches from a BAD case of a bad flu...but has been with me since Jan 2013.

I guess it gives me hope to know that you got over the same/similar symptoms and pain within days of removal. And when you say "excruciating"...I pretty much describe it the same way. How long did you have your implant in before it was removed?

I apologize for asking these questions which I'm sure you've answered multiple times....but the conversation has gotten kind of long and it's hard to go back and find comments! :o)

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jun 02, 2015

I don't mind answering questions, I know how hard it is to go back and find stuff here.

I had my implant in for a total of 6 months. I had horrific hives and body swelling one week to the day after the implant was installed, and we assumed it was a reaction to the penicillin. I ended up in ER three times that week, once by ambulance. After the 3rd trip and being put on 80mg/day of prednisone, I never had an unmanageable issue with the hives from that point on.

It took about 4 months in for my other symptoms to start setting in, and once they did things really snowballed quickly. I'm not surprised because my body has always been hypersensitive to everything. I think others have had their problems come on that quickly too, while some people have taken a year or two for things to get bad. That makes it really hard to tie it all together with the implant. Even for me, at 4 months in, it did not seem like the implant could be the issue, and it took a lot of gut wrenching agony back and forth to finally come to the conclusion it HAD to be the implant finally.

After the removal my oral surgeon asked me for tips on how to predict or recognize that one might be having this type of severe reaction to the titanium implants, because he cares about his patients and he wants to avoid this for the future. I told him that I think the two predominant problems are the brain issues and joint and muscle pain, it seems like almost everybody here has had those issues. And then each person had a bunch of lesser ones.

The brain thing is that fogginess, inability to think clearly, a feeling like you've been heavily drugged or poisoned, unable to focus, extreme fatigue and depression or at least a total sense of hopelessness. I got so bad the last three weeks I could not even carry on a conversation, I couldn't follow what someone was saying, and if I talked I would forget what I was saying in the middle of a sentence. It felt like I was really drunk, nearly ready



to pass out, all the time. I became completely unable to function.

My joint and muscle pain was in every part of my body, bar none. Like you said, it could be described as having a really severe flu where you are achy and sore all over. But for me it was much much worse than my worst flu ever. And the left elbow and left shoulder for some reason by far worse than anywhere else. If I moved my left arm one inch in any direction it felt someone had stuck a knife or an ice pick into the elbow and shoulder joints. All my pain was a sharp knife like pain all over. And I've never had that problem. After the implant was removed I had full range of motion with my entire left arm within a few days, with just a little bit of discomfort. It took about 8 weeks to completely be gone, but it did finally disappear, no issues at all in that arm.

Do you have a schedule set up for removing your implants? I don't recall if you said you did or not. I always try to tell people there's no guarantees, and obviously some people have had the implants removed and it did not solve their problems. But I feel like if a person has that extreme mental foggiess and fatigue and the joint and muscle pain, it's a pretty good indicator the implants are pretty likely to be the cause.

Best of luck!

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[VickiT60](#) Jun 03, 2015

Thanks for the info on doc in Winston-Salem. That will probably be an overnight stay for me to go see him but I'm definitely going to try. Can he order the MELISA test for me before I go there? (I would like to have proof of allergy even though I've already decided I want rest of implants out.)

I still have aches, stiffness, jaw throb - oral surgeon says all thes symptoms from removing last-installed implant 4 weeks ago. New symptom- rough, red mucosa on inside of mouth over both areas of still intact implants.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jun 03, 2015

Only certain doctors can order the Melisa test. You can send a request to the Melisa people through their website and they will email you a list of doctors in your area that can order the test. You won't actually go see the doctor in person, they will just order the test. You will have to use the Melisa site to determine which lab in your area does the test, and the doctor will request that the kit be sent to that lab. I used Dr. Chris Yerby, you could send her a request by email at [drcyerby@aol \(dot\) com](mailto:drcyerby@aol.com).

It cost me \$50 for the doctor to order that test, \$35 for the lab to draw the blood and send it off, and \$450 to the Melisa organization to do the test. Insurance did not pay any of that.

Best of luck!

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[chtef](#) Jun 03, 2015

So much information in this thread, thank you everyone for sharing your experiences.

My 70 years old mother in law, who less than one year ago was working on carpentry projects for fun, carrying alone heavy sheets of plywood without any problem, suffered from a root canal infection in September of last year. The periodontist removed the tooth and replaced it with a Titanium implant.

A couple of weeks later, she started to experience joint pain and swelling (a finger) and soon after pain in other joints and muscles all over the body.

A rheumatologist came to the conclusion that she had a case of rheumatoid arthritis, despite a negative RA factor, and despite severe muscular pain which I believe isn't a typical RA symptom, but what do I know. Today, my mother in law is significantly diminished compared to last year. She lost almost 100% of her left shoulder cartilage. She has no appetite.

My researches to help her find a possible cause to her RA slowly made me see a potential link with the implant and lead me to this very helpful forum.

What reinforce this link even more is the fact that a couple of years ago, my mother in law had two dental Titanium implants installed for her. Following the procedure, once a very healthy person started to experience weird and hard to diagnose symptoms: dry mouth, persistent cough, sinus issues.. At the time, she asked her periodontist if the implants could have caused the dry mouth but as you may guess, the answer was negative as this is not a common occurrence.

In any event, now she is actively looking into this, trying to find out if she could do the MELISA test despite being immunosuppressed by the RA medication. She is also nervous about the implications of going through the procedure of dental implant extraction while being immunosuppressed.

I have read that Dr. Mehta is using a technique to extract the implants with minimal damage. My question is: does this technique applies to implants that have been installed long ago, and maybe have been integrated into the bone structure?

Also, would it be required by my mother in-law to go off her immunosuppression medication before an extraction procedure?

And finally, anyone here has seen significant improvements in joint and muscle pain following the extraction of the metal from their body? I read a few stories here, but people in the medical field around us believe very strongly that once the immune system has kicked in, it is difficult to stop.

Thank you very much!

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[terrybrown12](#) Jun 03, 2015

Hi,

Mine were in over 4 years and well intergrated. My implants were also removed before the new tool was available and I did fine. There was bone loss but it came back with a bone graft.

The extraction process is relatively simple so I am assuming that she would be fine with the meds but of course she would want to discuss this with doctors.

Also in my case it took a while to get my body back to normal.

I have auto immune issues that I have not discussed here but they are really separate from the implants and the

removal I feel.

I have kept it in remission with good diet and supplements.

Hope this helps.

Great how you are helping out your mother in law!

Terry

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[LauraLJ](#) Jun 04, 2015

Wow...So many of your symptoms are the same as I experienced/am experiencing, Rowdybuddy! The timeline might be slightly different but I find it strikingly similar and might explain some of the "weird" things that I experienced!

I've also been hypersensitive to things pretty much my whole life. I'm probably not a good person to have some metal screw put in my jawbone. What made me think a titanium screw in my jaw bone was a good idea??!! Yeesh!

The things that stick out. The depression, feeling like you're being poisoned and a feeling of "hopelessness". That just hits the nail right on the head! It's horrid and truly feels "hopeless". Not sure what other word could possibly be any better!

And you mention body swelling. When I had that weird horrific back pain following the flu bug...it was followed almost immediately by my hands, leg and foot swelling up for no apparent reason. It was mainly on my left side...where the implants are. No one could explain it and they didn't seem particularly concerned either. It sure freaked me out! And I've wondered about it ever since. And the hives....when I started taking the Vitamin D, I started experiencing horrible hives. They weren't like regular hives either on top of the skin. They would start out as these hard, large painful lumps which would then almost feel like they "burst" under the skin and would then itch horribly. I've never had anything like that before. I linked it to the D but I also now wonder if it wasn't being "cross linked" somehow with the implants? D does many things in our bodies and our immune systems are hugely dependent on D. I wonder if the D wasn't trying to attack whatever it sees in the metal and resulting in hives? I think they call those "under the skin" hives Angioedema. They're awful!

Now that I have the crowns off I can say that my local mouth symptoms are worse. Like i mentioned before...almost like the crowns were keeping the "lid" partially on that toxic metal and now that they're off it's just flooding into my mouth. I got back to the oral surgeon next week so we can discuss my reactions with the crowns off. And I will make an appointment ASAP to get the implants removed. I hope within a week. I've seen enough...I just want them out.

I don't know if all of my symptoms are caused by the implants but we'll soon find out! Honestly, it's annoying to be missing two teeth there (premolar and molar...they come in handy for chewing!) but I would rather live without the two teeth than continue to feel like this. I know that many people get implants to replace numerous teeth, or front teeth. And I can totally relate to the missing front teeth issues. But why do we let ourselves get convinced to have some foreign piece of metal screwed into our jaw bones for one or two teeth? I'm going to just explore a little DuraFlex or Valplast partial. Maybe someday I can look at Zirconium. For now, I don't think I want anymore crap screwed into bones until I can go back to square one and sort it all out. I know several people

have gone the Zirconium route and are healthy and happy so we'll see!

I'll keep my fingers crossed and keep everyone posted. This thread/conversation has been such a help for me...would like to return the favor for others if I can too!

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[ps999](#) May 15, 2016

Any updates?

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[LauraLJ](#) Jun 04, 2015

Chfef, please do whatever you can to encourage your mother in law to pursue the implants as a very possible, and likely probable, cause for her symptoms and decline in health!

Again, so many similar symptoms that came on after having implants! My local "mouth" issues were like a burning mouth (still is!). I had the dentist tell me the same...no way could any of that be caused by the implants. So, they told me it was everything from dry mouth to burning mouth syndrome to thrush. I tried everything for all of those "things" and nothing had any impact on the symptoms. Which told me it wasn't any of those things!

And why on earth would a periodontist not at least consider that having metal screws/abutments in your mouth not at least be a "possible" cause for those symptoms? Or did she also get the canned response "They're integrated in the bone and there's no way that they could possibly have any affect on the inside of your mouth!"?

And I, as well as many others, experienced the muscle pain. And the swelling. Just addressed that with Rowdybuddy also. They also did a whole battery of tests on me dealing with my immune system, allergies, etc.. They did discover that I had a severe Vitamin D deficiency (which I know I've dealt with for years now and thankful they caught). But that was literally the only thing they could find. So, I guess "nothing is causing all of my symptoms according to the doctors and dentists?"

And in her case...they say she has RA yet they can't actually make a conclusive diagnosis nor explain some of her symptoms as actually being caused by RA? Sounds like she might not have RA to me! I'm not a doctor, and certainly not advocating that she stop taking any medications, etc. but I would keep digging for the "real" cause...and really focus on the implants!

I was also trying to get the Melisa test done and then figured it didn't matter to me at this point what they say. My gut tells me to get these things out. I emailed the address on the Melisa site and someone did answer me back within a day or two. We only had one doctor local (a Naturopath) that was already registered with them. It was kind of a pain to go through the process and become a "patient" of this doctor so I decided not to go through it all. But they did seem very helpful (the Melisa lab people that is).

Please keep everyone posted...and tell your mother in law to keep fighting and find the "healthy" version of herself in there somewhere! My first implant went in, in 2012. Both are well integrated. I'll soon find out how easy they come out!

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[VickiT60](#) Jun 04, 2015

I started taking Benadryl 2 days ago for the itch of tick bites. Yesterday I added generic Claritin and generic Zyrtec. All joint pain has stopped. I remember someone mentioning antihistamines but I didn't think it could work. It does, but it also proves that there is an actual allergy response happening, not arthritis or Lyme or anything else. Will the relief last as long as I take the antihistamines?

Also, anyone out there know if I can use a Doug coil machine for the titanium allergy while I still have implants? My initial thought is that the magnetic field will bleed more metal into my system. Any thoughts?

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[LauraLJ](#) Jun 08, 2015

After reading your comment I "upped" my antihistamine dose, VickT60. I also noticed an improvement in some of my symptoms. Not totally gone, but a bit subdued. I don't know anything about the Doug Coil machine....hoping someone else will comment?

Going in Thursday to go over my "results" with having the crowns off of the implants for 2 weeks. If anything, most symptoms seem to be worse including a constant taste of metal, burning and irritation in my mouth (along with the host of other "all over" symptoms). I've also been using some supplements noted for helping with metal issues like IP6 and Cilantro. They do seem to help a bit also. What IS this toxic crap that they screwed into our jawbones??!!

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[VickiT60](#) Jun 10, 2015

I successfully used a cilantro/raw Brazil nut pesto to detox after I had all my amalgam removed. It DOES work to remove metals, especially heavy metals, from the body. I also took a LOT of Vitamin C buffered powder during that time to flush metals out and keep it from re-depositing in other areas of my body. Good luck and best of health.

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[LauraLJ](#) Jun 11, 2015

Thanks for the tip VickiT60! I'll check out the Brazil nut pesto too. And I was using buffered C for a while. I'll add that back in. Another person also recommended, from her personal experience, a Zeolite (clay?) detox. I'll add that in there too!

I have my appointment for next Thursday to have them removed. We'll see how it goes (fingers crossed). The oral surgeon will be using the trefine tool vs the reverse torque method....since they're integrated he was

concerned about the force using the reverse torque tool. He has experience using both methods. We'll see how things go. I'm really, really crossing my fingers and hoping for the best!

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[VickiT60](#) Jun 14, 2015

That sudden tiring and sleep is a symptom of narcolepsy. I was tested for narcolepsy 3 times due to this symptom but never classified as having narcolepsy. It started right after my first dental implant. One thing I've noticed is that after you remove something that OFFENDS the body your symptoms can get worse before they start getting better...

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jun 15, 2015

I experienced it the whole time I had the implant in. It never got worse after the implant was removed, and it has slowly gotten better. It is still happening less and less frequently. And I never had this happen to me one time ever before I had the implant put in.

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[Spenki](#) Jun 17, 2015

Soon I will be undergoing the root canal therapy in a Family tree dental clinic in North york. Is it a painful process? It would be great if anyone replies as I'm very nervous.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jun 17, 2015

We'll have to wait for Terry Brown to reply on that one, I have not had the root canal stuff done myself, I've just had the implant removed.

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[LauraLJ](#) Jun 17, 2015

I've had several root canals. The actual process, for me anyway, was tedious but not painful at all. Once the tooth is numb the nerve is removed....so, there's no nerve to feel any pain once the process is complete.

There's a lot of controversy over root canals anymore though so not sure what I would do if I needed another. Might just look at extraction instead...but that's just me!

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[LauraLJ](#) Jun 17, 2015

Well....scheduled to have both implants removed tomorrow. Crossing my fingers that everything goes smoothly and that I see a difference in this whole host of health issues that started shortly after the implants went in.

I'll post info after removal just in case it might help someone else. This site/topic has provided me with SO much information and support...if I can do anything to contribute any info for others I'll do whatever I can!

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jun 17, 2015

Great news, best of luck, I hope you have a quick and full turnaround with all your health issues.

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[VickiT60](#) Jun 18, 2015

MELISA org didn't have anyone close to me but Gloria Hyzer in Wisconsin is writing a lab order for me, sending the kit to me to get blood draw, and then I call her for consult to get lab results. Every perio or oral surgeon here in my area of Virginia has said they won't remove implants unless I can prove I have allergy. Oddly enough, they all maintain the implants are pure titanium. I have a real issue with this way of doing business but I guess that's why they call it "practicing" medicine instead of "got it down pat" medicine. I did read NIH info saying doctors doing hip replacements should be testing for metal allergies. Apparently the thinking is that dental implants don't contain enough possible offending materials to cause an allergic reaction. Everyone experiencing adverse effects needs to be reporting those effects to the FDA.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jun 18, 2015



Yep, the whole thing is a mess. Made worse of course by the unwillingness of a massive majority (as in almost 100%) of the entire medical field to not acknowledge this is a serious problem for a very small minority of people. A very real and disastrous problem for those that have experienced it. I think you've probably seen my info on who my oral surgeon is, he would be willing to help you out if need be. I apologize for not remembering who all I have spoken with and what I have shared with certain people, but there's been quite a few. If you need my oral surgeon's name here in NC, send me a message here.

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[LauraLJ](#) Jun 19, 2015

Sadly, they hear what they want to hear. The implants (as we know!) are "Commercially" pure. Which means that they can have approximately 10% (give or take) of other metals as alloys in them. The "industry" has selective hearing on the word "commercially". Both of mine were Grade 4 Commercially Pure Titanium. Why won't they disclose what the other approx 10% "Mystery Metals" are?

The story as I know it (someone correct me if you know anything different) was that when the manufacturers sought FDA approval they tested with pure titanium. They got their approval. But they discovered that pure titanium was too brittle. Sooo....under the blessing of the FDA, they were allowed to replace up to 10% of the titanium with various alloy metals and other materials without getting "new" FDA approval. As long as it was 90% or better titanium they were "good to go".

I actually got both of the actual screws today after they were removed. I plan on finding a lab somehow/somewhere that will test these things to see what other metals are in them.

And what difference does it make whether you're technically "allergic" to it anyway? They do all sorts of "elective" procedures for no other reason than cosmetic results.....why won't they remove implants when the person living with them "elects" to have them removed!??!

Things went really smoothly for me today with the removal...I'll post more tomorrow on the process and how things are going! I'm almost afraid to say anything....but I noticed some positive differences literally within hours!

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[2tellthetruth](#) Sep 12, 2017

where did you find the info on the titanium veing modified after the FDA approved the pure titanium? I'd like to get a hold of their "quality control" checks and ,like you said,a chemical/metal analysis of the grade 4 titanium.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jun 19, 2015

Glad to hear removal went smoothly and you noticed positive changes already. I felt a difference within one day, and a huge improvement within 3-4 days after removal.

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[VickiT60](#) Jun 24, 2015

Hi LauraJ- can you elaborate on wheat improvements you've seen already?

I'm up to 3 migraines a day right now with 100mg imitrex only slightly subduing those... Having problems even keeping antihistamines down. Additionally my cheeks and lips are sticking to my teeth- not just the remaining implants but all my teeth. Does anyone know if this is from antihistamines? I haven't been able to take antihistamines for days but the cheeks are still still adhering to teeth so badly I have to put a finger in my mouth to loosen. I'm still waiting for my kit from Hyzer in Wisconsin.

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[Beauti3](#) Jun 25, 2015

I had my implant removed this morning. SO GLAD!!! So far doing O.K. Had the implant for 8 years and there have been so many problems during these years, it's just too much to go into. I have had Lyme Disease for 28 years and so I attributed many of my symptoms (bizarre as they all are) to Lyme. In fact Lyme causes many identical symptoms to the titanium/allergic/metal issues it's difficult to pinpoint what is what. The worst is now that I will need corneal implants somewhere along the line. I attribute this to the implant.

I will let you know how I am getting along. I anticipate much improvement. I know I will sleep better. Already I do not feel so "distressed" in my abdominal area. And I don't feel as tense.

I wasn't a candidate for the special tool that has been discussed on this site; but my biological dentist and oral surgeon are both located in the same building -- So it was suggested by my oral surgeon to have my dentist remove the top part of the implant, then go to the oral surgeon (where fortunately I was able to use a local anesthetic). Can't be sedated as I get dehydrated too easily by not drinking the 6 hours previous to the appt and would end up in the emergency room for IV fluids. My oral surgeon did use a tool (maybe manufactured by Noble???? the company that made the implant) -- I'm not sure. Lots of pressure but all went O.K. and the implant came out in one piece. (Lower front tooth). I'm tired right now. Got two stitches. Trying to take doxycycline so it won't get infected. But I have become allergic to just about every over the counter and prescription drug "out there" -- and supplements too. All have titanium in them for the most part. Need to get new glasses too -- mine are titanium. Anxious to see if the rash on my nose and cheek and neck go away. At first diagnosed with Rosacea but this is much different than Rosacea. So many mental problems and brain fog, and you all probably know the rest.

Hoping that all of you that are faced with the decision of implant removal and finding the right dentist/surgeon to do the removal -- that you will have success in your search.

I know for me this was the right decision. It took me a long time to get the courage up to do this. But compared to what I've been through with this implant, this morning was a "piece of cake"!!!!

Jean

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[terrybrown12](#) Jun 25, 2015

Yay!

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jun 26, 2015

That's great news, best of luck with your recovery.

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[Beauti3](#) Jun 26, 2015

Thank you (& terrybrown12) for the encouragement. I am definitely noticing a difference even though it's only been two days. (Maybe some psychological aspect too -- feeling of relief getting this poison out of my body!!)

I was looking at past comments regarding root canals -- next to mercury fillings, root canals are a second a "toxic waste dump" in our mouths. I am speaking from much experience in this regard. There are some good books on the subject as well as a lot of good info from the web. My own disabling illness was immediately preceded by having two root canals (from one of the best docs in the L.A. area). They looked fine on the x-rays (just like my recently extracted titanium implant). But I was bedridden physically, so ill emotionally and mentally/neurologically from the root canals and did not get out of bed till they were both removed. Note -- I did not have pain in my mouth or root canals -- it was all the other bizarre stuff -- and it was difficult to distinguish what was causing it all -- just like with the implant!!!

All I can say is BEWARE. I think if there is any other option for a tooth replacement, besides the root canal or implant, go for it!!! I had to put my vanity aside with this implant, as I am allergic to Zirconium, and I'm not quite sure what's going to go in place of my missing front tooth (other than the temporary I have right now). But it came down to a matter of life and death at this point or being in a wheel chair or maybe an institution for the rest of my life. That's how serious this dental stuff can be. Extremely important, I think, to find a good biological dentist who can give the right direction to make wise choices.

Jean

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[Nemesis19](#) Jun 27, 2015

I am desperately looking for a reliable oral surgeon or dentist in the London/ southern part of the UK who will remove titanium implants. I have been reading this all day and now realise why I have been becoming sicker and sicker over the last 18 months

Feel weak, chronic fatigue, panic attacks, anxiety, depression, brain fog, poor concentration, chronic tinnitus, joint pain, horrendous sleep issues. Symptoms are cumulative and have got progressively worse over the period of time

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[Nemesis19](#) Jun 28, 2015

Just bumping this. Please, could antsy one in the London area of the UK or further afield message me the name of any surgeon who would be willing to remove titanium implants.

I started getting these in 2003 (coincidentally the same year I started with Fibromyalgia symptoms. I have had them done gradually as my teeth have failed due to gum disease. I have 9. Last year I had three put in my lower jaw to go with an existing one and a fixed porcelain bridge put on. My dentist had now taken that off.

I think the final three inserted Feb 2014 have tipped me over the edge. I have never felt more ill in my life. I may need to have them out gradually as I have also developed TMJD.

There must be someone dentist or oral surgeon in the UK who does this kind of work.

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[Nemesis19](#) Jun 29, 2015

I want to publicly thank Terry, Wendy, Jodie, takeitout and bluebird all of whom have answered endless questions for me.

My dentist today said that basically I have developed metal toxicity, and is going to try and help me find someone to take out my titanium implants

For anyone coming to this thread I will list my symptoms to check (I hope to God you won't have these as I have 9 implants so I am highly symptomatic).

chronic sleep deprivation, down to two hours some nights,( that is with the aid of sleeping pill) joint pain that moves from joint to joint, sometimes hip, sometimes knees, hopelessness, anxiety, depression, lethargy, endless neurological symptoms, in the head area I have chronic tinnitus, that is also above the ears and is like a form of pins and needles or that all my nerve endings have been set on fire, hyperacusis, feel like I permanently run a temperature but take it and it is fine. The pins and needles travel down my neck and back and arms.

I wake up and struggle to breathe, I have sinus issues, virtually every issue that has been covered by others in this long thread. I am not confident if a full recovery as I started having these put in 12 years ago, but the 3 I had Feb 2014 must have sent me over the edge.

Also nothing I take relieves these symptoms. If someone asked me to sum up how I feel I would say it's like I am being slowly poisoned.

I asked my dentist if I could just take out the ones that had gone in last year as up to then I had vague symptoms that I put down to fibromyalgia (coincidentally diagnosed the year I had my first implant put in 12 years ago).

He said no, as once I have triggered metal toxicity problem, I need every single bit of it out of my mouth. We are trying to find someone to do this.

My heart goes out to anyone who gets this, and anyone who gets a titanium implant be hyper vigilant for symptoms that could be put down to things such as Fibromyalgia, arthritis, CFS, depression, Lyme's, RA or any other autoimmune condition especially if your bloods are coming back clear and your MRIs are fine.

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[terrybrown12](#) Jun 29, 2015

This is great news that your dentist will help you find someone to remove them! I know you will be able to find someone!

I agree that you should have them all removed.

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[Nemesis19](#) Jun 30, 2015

Thanks terry. It's complicated as the uppers have gone in my sinuses and he said that will need to be sorted by an oral surgeon at the time they are removed. I think the started of the thread had this problem.

My symptoms are extreme as I have had these for so long. It's the cumulative effect and the three at the same time last year have pushed my body over the edge.

I want them out now, but I want them out properly. Bad news is that one lady on here has the exact same symptom as me which is kind of like her head is like a pressure cooker ( I know that sounds bizarre) with the tinnitus in the ears sounding like steam and that has not got better and she had one not nine. I dread living with that for the rest of my life.

I also scared of any long term damage that may have been done.

I don't think it was a coincidence that 12 years ago when I got my first one was the same year I was diagnosed with Fibromyalgia (unexplained joint pain and fatigue) I think I have been allergic to them from day 1 but just never made the connection.

Thank you for all your support.

People who get these implanted should be hyper vigilant incase they get other conditions at the same time that don't have an obvious connection to the mouth.

I'm terrified of the surgery to get them removed as well it seems a big job having to have the sinus restored, and then working out what goes in their place, probably partial dentures. But I feel so ill if someone came in and said I had to be a gummy mummy for the rest of my life I would go with that.

I know it's part of the condition to worry and fear and have anxiety but my mind is in overdrive as to if I have set in place cancer or Alzheimer's etc due to the length of time they have been in.

My dentist also said that I wasn't allergic to titanium per say what he was saying is that metal in my mouth or combination of metals is proving toxic for me. So I guess that is why many people on this thread who gets tests done and are told they are not allergic as such makes sense. I would suggest others who get this say to their professionals that they gave metal toxicity symptoms it might be easier to get it sorted.

He says it's a bit like the old mercury fillings that people (including dentists and dental nurses) over the years started some started to have metal toxicity symptoms from having of in the case if dental people handling everyday in their work.

Thanks again for your input

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[terrybrown12](#) Jun 30, 2015

real quick I wanted to say that there is woman that does not post here that had extreme tinnitus and it went away right after her implant was removed.

I know it is overwhelming and more so in your case as you have nine to deal with but I do feel certain you will find a way and heal.

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[Nemesis19](#) Jun 30, 2015

Hi Terry

Thanks for your comments. I am just thankful that unlike a lot of people on this thread, my dentist acknowledges that this condition whilst rare can actually exist.

I have seen him today and he spoke to his mentor last night who I beleive he studied under at TheEastman Dental Hospital which is Londons main teaching hospital.

His mentor has told him that with the new Bionoble (?) device it is quite easy to take them out even when they are fully integrated - but I am still terrified.

So he is considering taking out the lower four himself now, and maybe getting his mentor to come to the surgery at a separate time and take out the upper 5.

I also have an appointment with someone else who takes them out tomorrow morning who has taken one out for someone on this forum, and seems to have taken far more out than my dentist.

I still have other concerns though as my symptoms mimic something called Lymes Disease, but I am still going to have the implants out regardless as I have got to attempt to do something to get better for the sake of my family.

Goodness knows why I was too vain to have dentures, it's not like I have ever had anything to be vain about.

I have been reading stuff today about heavy metal poisoning on the Internet and scared myself witless. It says recovery can be from 6 months to 2 years and there is not always a full recovery especially if the liver and the brain are affected.

Although my GP ran a batch of bloods and my liver function came back as normal.

I have got to get this crap out of my mouth.

My dentist has one patient who has 18 in his mouth and is fine, some people have all the luck.

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[natslondon](#) Jul 01, 2015

Hi

I am based in London and can relate to everything that you have said (not so much sinus, but the inflammation that I suffer from has effected all areas in my life- breathing, joints etc)

Push the lyme disease out of your mind- I can say with almost 100% certainty- it is as a result of the implants.

My dentist took my implant out reluctantly, but I can assure you, I have no doubt that everything I was experiencing was from the implant.

The recovery process has been long and difficult (I have suffered all sorts of related health issues) and my health anxiety is pretty high (I never had this prior to the implant but months of doctors telling me it was all in my head when I was suffering greatly, really aggravated my anxiety).

But I am a work in progress and I can bet in a few more months I will be all good.

Get it out, you will feel all the better for it

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 01, 2015

Thanks Nats for your encouragement.

I went to a dentist in West London today who also confirmed that whilst very rare, certain people can develop a form of metal toxicity due to having multiple metals in their mouth. In the dental community there is currently talks and papers on this, despite how rare it is, as it's just coming to light.

He actually knows my dentist ( I didn't know this) and is going to speak with him in the phone to try and plan a way forward. Maybe do the four bottom extractions first.

My symptoms over the last six weeks have gone mad, since I my dentist to take a fixed bridge off that was 100 ceramic and I thought might be my problem. (Doh ! ) My saliva is much one in contact with metal. It's since then the real neurological symptoms have kicked in, pins and needles all over my head, down my arms, ears hiss like a pressure cooker, shakes like in Parkinson's. Before that it was all joint pain, insomnia, ear pressure, tinnitus, chronic fatigue stuff

Now the Anxiety, Depression, Hopelessness is also in overdrive but I have a bizzare restlessness as well, pacing about stuff even though I sleep for a couple of hours.

I am grateful that both my dentist and the guy I saw this morning acknowledge its a real thing.

My last four GP visits he has wanted me on AD's, CBT, one to one counselling; he as at his wits end poor man he doesn't know what to do with me. He doesn't know where to send me next.

I have been diagnose with ongoing Fibromyalgia, Osteo arthritis, chronic sinusitis, TMJ dysfunction, chronic tinnitus, depression and anxiety

I must have had very blood done under the sun, MRI brain ear MRI, seen two ENT's, a Max Fax Consulatnt, had knee X-rays and seen one of London's foremost TMJD experts.

I think these multiple implants have to go and if I still have other issues I will have to deal with them, bug without excessive metal in my mouth.

Why the heck is it so hot in London, I feel so ill and it's the last thing I need.

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[VickiT60](#) Jul 01, 2015

I contacted Shehan in NC and he won't remove implants unless he installed them.

On another note: after I received my MELISA test kit I had a helluva time getting a blood draw. Labcorp has agreements with independent labs but Pharmasan (MELISA test) is not one of them. Quest diagnostics and Patient First will also not do blood draws. Additionally no private nurses will do the blood draw for fear they will be arrested. (!) Virginia law requires that you have a doctor order a test but I haven't heard of a law in which nurses are not allowed to do blood draws unless they are doing it for an established medical practice. So finally I found an HCA emergency center who would do the draw and they said all HCA facilities will do them.

I find it horrifying that it is so easy to get these appliances put in our bodies but we have to maneuver a maze of obstacles to get them removed.

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 01, 2015

We are struggling with this in the UK as well. It seems to be better to ask if it's possible to have problems due to multiple metals being in your mouth, as soon as you say I am allergic to Titanium you just get a, no you aren't, do a test.

There seems to be more acceptance if you ask if it's possible that you might have a medical toxicity problem, rather than state you have an allergy.

The more I read I am sure this is a result of a combination of metals and that's why they say 'no you aren't' when you say you are allergic to titanium.

I have a date for having 4 removed, I am terrified, I then need the other 5 removed and they are in my sinuses. I have no choice as I have no quality of life left. If they aren't the problem so be it but at least I will have tried.

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[VickiT60](#) Jul 02, 2015

Yes, I agree with the possibility of a "mixed metals" issue. Many years ago when I still had amalgams my dentist put in a gold alloy crown and my mouth reacted severely, lips swelled, half my hair fell out overnight and I sweated yellow oil. I'm not sure I ever recovered from that instance even though I had all amalgams and metal crowns removed. The galvanic reaction is unmistakable in that case due to the taste of metal in the mouth. Opposing valences of the metals cause this and it is well known- I guess dental professionals get no basic chemical training even though they are installing these metals in one of the most chemically reactive environments on earth. Even in my amalgam case, I discovered that the manufacturer of the "gold" crown (once again, an alloy) stated to install in a mouth with silver/mercury amalgams was contraindicated due to possible galvanic reaction. (And that galvanic reaction deposited so much mercury in my system that my tongue was black.) So dentists don't even read the accompanying literature that comes with these products. Isn't this a form of malpractice?

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 02, 2015

I don't know Vicki. All I know is this condition is making some people desperately ill like I am at the moment. Also it's actually a hard thing to diagnose it's almost like you have to rule out 100's of other things before you get taken seriously. Some of my symptoms are frankly bizarre and even on this very comprehensive thread I don't think my ear and head symptoms are mentioned.

I am angry with myself in a way (or maybe sad) that I have lived with bad joint and muscle pain for approx 12 years and never connected it, so just carried on regardless having more and more implants. But it seems a huge coincidence that it started up more or less the time I got my first implant. If I have them out and my symptoms

do not at least part resolve I will be at a lose as to what is going on.

It was also difficult as I was in my mid forties when a lot if women starts to get odd pains and everyone chalks them up to midlife, both individuals themselves and med people.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jul 03, 2015

I haven't posted much lately but I've been reading, my heart goes out to everybody suffering with these implant related issues.

I have been finding out even after a great and quick recovery, it's not a cakewalk. I pushed myself too far too fast and have worn myself down. It's hard not to do that when you feel so much better so quickly. It makes you think you can do whatever you want, and that's not true. Recovery is going to be an ongoing process for awhile.

Even though I don't have the cloudy brain issue, extreme fatigue and extreme joint and muscle pain, I have really been run down the last three weeks. Trying to do too much and not getting enough rest. It makes me feel bad for people who have/had more than one implant and had theirs in longer than I did (just 6 months for me).

Vicki, I'm sorry to hear my oral surgeon told you that, wow, I did not expect that from him, obviously I wouldn't have recommended him if I knew that was his stance.

My thoughts and prayers are with everyone, hang in there and keep fighting this thing.

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[jamier29](#) Sep 29, 2017

everything you experienced I have too...4 mos after my implant I started getting muscle and joint injuryies, then prolonged healing issues, more deep muscle pain, that started getting worse, more joint pain, then started spreading to my shoulders and just got accumulative worse.. the brain fog was horrible, couldnt carry on a conversation felt unfocused, anxious, terrible anxiety, and dry mouth ..my severe dry mouth got worse when my joint and mucsle pain was worse, no matter how much I drank it was dry dry... but the worse thing was my crippling muscle and joint pain, like the flu but times 10... I went from being a strong farmer/rancher and personal trainer to having no life but pain, and mental fog, all starting 4 mos after my implant.... all my tests came back neg for anything, my mri's my ct scans, all my blood work was perfect except for inflammation .... I was test for everything from viruses to meningitis to arthritis, everything cam back negetive but yet I had the worst muscle and joint pain I have ever had in my life and it made me weak and depressed...I had my implant for 7 mos and just got it one day ago I hope it makes this nightmare go away...

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 04, 2015

Thank you for your comments. My dentist is hopefully takeing out my lower ones during the next two weeks, even tough he had only taken one out before by the old trephine burr method.

We will hopeful do one next week with the new biotech tool and 3 the following week. I haven't get time to go abroad to the U.S. as I am so symptomatic otherwise I would have gone to Terry's Dr the one who writes on this

board occasionally.

I am also terrified of the long term damage that may have been done, I appear to have all the symptoms of heavy metal poisoning.

I think those of us on this thread have been very unlucky as the vast majority do not have problems with these.

Has anyone got any tips on what type of detox methods I should try both prior to removal and after. I am now too weak to go out by. I have someone who is willing to get me special foods and supplements ?

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 05, 2015

Sorry to keep blogging on here. But I am struggling with this.

I am becoming more symptomatic by the day.

I am also remembering things last year that happened are the last implants were inserted.

Three weeks down the line I had crippling hip pain, it was in a band all round my lower body, non stop for about five days I had never known pain like it. Because I have a diagnosis of Fibromyalgia, I just thought that was getting progressively worse. My body must have fought it off, then it recurred some weeks later.

I also the most severe urine infection of my life. I hadn't had one for 30 years.

Was this my kidneys etc trying to deal with toxins ? It was nothing I could fight off on my own, I tried drinking loads and getting an over the counter remedy but needed AB's. The pain was unbearable and the first AB's they gave me made me ill.

Despite drinking loads I feel I am getting it again at the moment, so am in despair as I don't want to put ABs in my body at this time, but may have no choice as the pain was crippling last time.

I'm frightened of everything I put in my mouth at the moment incase it adds to the problem.

I'm also developing a sore throat even though I have not been in contact with anyone with a virus.

I wish I had a proper signed treatment plan to get these out of my body rather than my current Ad Hoc arrangement.

I am blogging this here so that anyone who has these installed, looks out for any unusual changes in their body, system.

I know urine infections are commonplace, but I had t had one for years and the pain was indescribable like I was passing something toxic :-(

Anyone looking in, wish me luck in getting this resolved I feel I really need it, and anyone religious pray to God I get better.

I can't understand how so many can tolerate these, but in a few we seem to be poisoning ourselves.

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 08, 2015

I had the first one of my nine implants out yesterday, so that my dentist could figure out how to use the new tool. This went straightforwardly.

However today my body had gone into somekind of shock.

I wish others who had been through this removal process had described how their bodily reactions to having this stuff removed.

I am in a bad way today my body is trying to cope with expelling something that is toxic to it through the bowels and urine and by giving me dreadful inflammation.

I wish I knew if others had been through this on getting them removed.

Don't know if my body is up to dealing with the removal of more than one at a time. But don't think I could go through with doing it one by one either

I will continue to write about this incase anyone else goes through this.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jul 08, 2015

Sorry I can't be of any help in that regard, I had no negative effects from my body after removal. Sorry to hear you're having to experience that. Thoughts and prayers are with you for things to get better ASAP.

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 08, 2015

Thanks rowdy buddy, I am struggling as mouth hurts as well plus I have chronic screaming tinnitus too so not any easy call.

Grateful for your prayers, pray a bit myself now.

So glad you had no adverse reactions, still no idea if I am doing the right thing, as everyone has commented there is no real medical guidance or intelligence on this issue, we are all on our own with our decision

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jul 08, 2015

"as everyone has commented there is no real medical guidance or intelligence on this issue, we are all on our own with our decision "

Exactly, and it's a terrifying situation for all of us that have experienced it. Having to go against the word of so called "experts" who claim we do not have issues because of our implants. I believe someday the truth will be there for the world to know, but for now that's not doing any of us any good.

I'm at the 4 month mark now since the removal of my only titanium implant I had, and it was only in for about 6 months, so I feel fortunate. But I still have ups and downs in my recovery, even now the recovery can be a struggle at times because I know I am not back to where I was before the implant. For the most part I'm doing great, but not always. I am finding out even at this point how important the mental side is to dealing with this.

Best wishes for you to find a way to keep battling and moving forward. Hopefully it gets better and easier for you and soon. If I knew any secrets or great words of wisdom I'd sure be sharing them, but I don't. All I know to say is try to stay as strong as you can mentally, it means so much.

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[natslondon](#) Jul 09, 2015

Sorry to hear that you are struggling! I went/go to a kineseologist in SW London that helps with detoxing and mineral/vitamin substitutes. It is alternative medicine but if you are open to new things it is worth a shot. Let me know if you would like her details (you are based in London if I recall correctly)

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[terrybrown12](#) Jul 09, 2015

<http://www.popsci.com/science/article/2010-05/new-technique-uses-bodys-stem-cells-regenerate-teeth>

this is what we need!!

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 10, 2015

I never should have had mine put in in the first place.

I have all the symptoms of heavy metal poisoning, from having these for 12 years. I have damaged my central nervous system.

I am dealing with a dentist who will remove them but really doesn't understand the disease.

Today my head feels like a pressure cooker again, parathesia all over my scalp and my screaming tinnitus from the ears completes the picture.

It is the same as with the Mercury fillings from years ago.

Had one out and a bad reaction to that, three more out on Monday, then five uppers to be got out.

I hope removing them isn't more dangerous than leaving them in. I know it won't get rid of the tinnitus and various other things but I still need to get this stuff out of my body

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 10, 2015

Nats I have messaged you.

I am in London.

Anybody who comes across this thread. If you are thinking if having titanium dental implants put in, please don't.

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[terrybrown12](#) Jul 10, 2015

I am not sure if I have posted here about my experience with have amalgam fillings removed.

A few years before having my first implant put in I had all of my mercury fillings removed by a so called holistic dentist.

He removed them all in one day without a dam. I had a mouth full. It took 8 hours to remove them all. 2 days later my brain felt like it was poisoned.

I was severely mercury poisoned and felt as if I was close to death.

It took 7 months to heal and I was severely ill each and everyone of those days.

Be certain you trust the person removing them and do them one at a time.

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[VickiT60](#) Jul 10, 2015

I have been seeing lots of oral surgeons and period twists right here in my local area (Richmond, Virginia) and THINK I have found someone who is willing to do the removals. He was VERY open to discussing the possibility that metal allergies exist, that the implants are alloys, that integration that does not imply no allergy. If I get a go ahead from him I will give you guys my e-mail address so I can give out name and phone number. Flip side: I'm expecting my MELISA test results any day now.

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[VickiT60](#) Jul 10, 2015

In my research on the manufacture of the "titanium" dental implants, I read that as soon as implants are put in, the body tries to create a biofilm (of metal oxide in most cases) so when implant is removed it can disturb that biofilm and cause an immediate dump of the metal into your system. I highly recommend drinking lots of water to flush your system. In addition to sipping at water all day drink a glass all down at once a few times a day. Also, try steeping a handful of parsley in a quart of pure spring water- sip this throughout a day. This recipe is a cleanse for the kidneys and allows them to function better.

Best of health to everyone recovering!

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[PT105](#) Jul 17, 2015

I felt worse for a long time after removal of 2 implants and it took me more than 4 months for me to begin to feel close to how I felt before implant placement and bone augmentation surgery that preceded it. Nervous system symptoms have not especially improved but debilitating cognitive and energy symptoms finally seem to be improving as of the past week.

I've had CFS and immune problems for many years so I'm not typical, but because I felt worse after removal and because certain previous non-dental local surgeries had also resulted in new and/or long-term symptoms, I cannot be sure titanium alone was the problem. Anesthetics and additives they may contain - usually methylparaben and/or epinephrine, stress, inflammation, and antibiotics are all things that might affect the outcome to some degree.

I am scheduled soon for zirconia implant surgery to replace those that were removed and this time conscious sedation has been strongly recommended, as I think it should have been for the previous ones. Most of the above mentioned things might be described as "toxic" in certain amounts and for people whose nervous systems are more acutely sensitive, can also lead to long term effects.

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 18, 2015

Hi thanks for your comments. Well I have had four out of the nine to be removed so far.

I hear what you say about the Mercury fillings Terry. This is how I feel, it is as though actually removing them has put more metal into my system. I am now wondering if whilst these are toxic to my body it is almost more dangerous to take them out.

My dentist still has his Mercury filling in as I think there is a school of thought that, that is the lesser of the two evils.

I am drinking four litres of water a day, and a. Having problems eating due to sore gums etc, so can't follow complicated detox books at the moment. I am worried tha I was so upset by my chronic tinnitus that I am having these out in the hope it will abate which I have been told by at least 6 medical people it won't and its for life.

I still think though tha I have been allergic to them from 12 years ago when I had one and mysterious acquired Fibromyalgia at the same time. I gave had huge Fibro flares over the years and would live to know if they coincided with the implants going in. Also over those years my insomnia got worse and worse

I have now become hypersensitivity to sound as have hyperacusis as well as tinnitus.

I am also suffering from something called Phantosmia - I wake in the night with weird burning smells in my nose, this is also terrifying nothing is burning as my husband checked.

It's like taking all this stuff out of your body sets off some huge neurological symptoms, which to me shows they should never be in your body in the first place

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[annable100](#) Jul 20, 2015

Found this article guys. Maybe some of you will find it useful. I'm sorry if it's been posted before.

Ann

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3753052/>

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jul 20, 2015

Here's a good source for more articles:

<http://www.melisa.org/research-articles/articles/>

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[Ihavealreadybeentaken1](#) Jul 21, 2015

I have had a mouth full of fillings since high school. By 27 I was starting to have symptoms of osteoporosis arthritis. I mentioned to my dentist that I was wondering if there could be a link. This was when there was just beginning to be suggested a link between fillings and symptoms of mercury poisoning. I also have had severe anxiety and severe depression since high school. What do you think?

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[Ihavealreadybeentaken1](#) Jul 21, 2015

I had two root canals done successfully but it was only three years before one tooth cracked in half and had to be extracted. This cost me \$600 for the first procedure and \$400 to have it removed. Financially I don't think I did the right thing since I lost the tooth anyway. I do not even chew on the other one in fear of it breaking as well.

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 22, 2015

Well if my experience is anything to go by yes.

I started having titanium implants put in 12 years ago. The exact same year I came down with unexplained body pain and was given a diagnosis of osteo arthritis and fibromyalgia the later being body pain and fatigue and deoression.

I have ruined my life by not making the connection and so carrying in having these medals put in my mouth.

I have had four implants out so far, it is nothing like having teeth pulled my body has had somekind of toxic shock reaction, but I need to carry on and get this metal out if my mouth.

I am a severe case, and will be left with consequences like chronic tinnitus and Hyperacusis but I still need to get them out to give me a flighting chance at dealing with the rubbish it has landed me.

I would live to know if all these modern diseases are connected to mouth metals, also if the increase in Alzheimer's years down the kind is. But nobody studies these things.

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[VickiT60](#) Jul 22, 2015

Coincidentally, my grandparents both started developing Alzheimer's at age 40 and used aluminum cookware exclusively. No Alzheimer's before or after that in family along with no one else using aluminum cookware. I

hate to draw a definitive conclusion but...

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 23, 2015

I think that is a pretty well known thing about aluminium cookware and Alzheimer's Vicki.

That is why years and years ago they started to coat a lot of things in Teflon so the cooking surfaces were not next to the aluminium. I remember my late Mum talking about it.

Most cookware is now stainless steel or other metals, ceramic is probably best.

These implants have done enormous damage to my health. As well as whatever the future might hold. I will be dealing with chronic 24/7 tinnitus which is a symptom of advanced heavy metal poisoning and some people kill themselves with.

Also it means the past 12 years of Fibromyalgia, osteoarthritis, insomnia may have been totally needless. My family had to live with the downsides of these conditions and I took meds for them for 12 years which may have been unnecessary. All because I didn't want a denture.

I know I would make different decisions on this if I had my time again.

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[annable100](#) Jul 23, 2015

Hi Nemesis! I'm so sorry for your situation. I'm going through the same disaster :( Can I ask you please who diagnosed you with Hyperacusis? This's just what I have too but I didn't know the name of it before you mentioned. I've googled it

"High-pitched sounds can be felt as 'a nail being driven into the head' and low-pitched thrumming 'like sandpaper moving across the brain'."

Thank you!

Ann

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jul 23, 2015

Is there any chance or hope that eventually the metals can be flushed out of your system with detox and your conditions improve?

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 24, 2015

I've got no idea, I'm trying but having had four out I actually seem worse.

I now have cranial parathesia, as well as the chronic tinnitus and

Hyperacusis I also shake in the way that someone with Parkinson's would.

I'm not convinced I am going to get better, I think 12 years with these and ending up with 9 of them just didn't suit my body (understatement) I am only 4'11" tall with size 3(36) feet small hands etc. maybe there's can tolerate multiple metals but my immune system has no doubt been fighting with them for years and finally collapsed under the strain

I have had to put off getting the next two taken out as am too unwell,

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 24, 2015

I diagnosed myself. It often comes hand in hand with tinnitus. tinnitus is a symptom of metal poisoning.

Hyperacusis is explained quite well on the web. But basically you will find normal everyday sounds intolerable, cutlery, crockery, traffic, kettles, doors squeaking, mobile phones going off etc.

An ENT or tinnitus clinic should give you an official diagnosis

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jul 24, 2015

So sorry to hear it is such a struggle for you, I hope things get better. I've been having some real problems the last few weeks, just now getting to the point of seeing some holistic/integrative dentists and doctors to get the silver fillings out of my mouth and start detox, it appears things are still way out of wack with my system. Not nearly as bad as I felt when I had the implant in, not even close, but still there's some definite issues, most likely metal and/or mercury related.

Best of luck with things, I know as well as probably almost everybody else here knows that feeling of moving forward with all this stuff partly because of not feeling like you have a choice--the quality of life is so poor, we have to do what we can instead of just standing still and doing nothing, the status quo is not acceptable.

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 25, 2015

Thanks rowdybuddy. I am in a very bad place with this as even after I get rid of the metal I will be left with the permanent damage of tinnitus and Hyperacusis which are life changing conditions

I am also full of guilt for not realising that these metal implants were what was affecting my health over the years, as once I got the Fibromyalgia and migratory osteoarthritis diagnosis I put everything down to those conditions. But I now surmise that all along it was the implants that were causing the inflammation. If only I had realised sooner.

On reflection I had other issues like I never felt I could breathe properly, although obviously I was breathing, I had a permanently stuffed up nose and lost the ability to blow my nose, even had my septum straightened to try and sort that but it made no difference.

I have five upper implants. I'm hoping if I have them removed that at least might resolve provided they don't ruin my sinuses on removing them.

I am disgusted with myself for being so out of tune with my own body.

I know my life will never be the same again as before I started putting all this metal in my mouth:-)

I wish you well

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jul 25, 2015

Thanks. I don't think you should beat yourself up over not realizing sooner your implants were the cause. I think everybody has experienced the same thing. The first thing that doesn't make sense is the symptoms don't start right away, they take awhile to set in, which makes it hard to tie it to the implant to begin with. Then once the thought occurs, it seems crazy, so you keep ruling it out. And as you search for info, there's almost none out there, and every single doctor will tell you it's not the implant. I am now running into the exact same issue with detox and mercury removal.....although it seems there is more info and more people aware how important those things are.....but you do have to look at the holistic/biological/alternative/integrative medicine fields to find people who realize the problems with mercury are real and how delicate the detox is. The establishment is sweeping it all under the rug.

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[VickiT60](#) Jul 25, 2015

The best part about these issues is that the human body has an incredible ability to heal itself - including detox itself. Once the offenders are removed, there can be a final large exposure that makes you even more unwell but if you support your bodily systems then you can heal. Ask someone to help you stay on a healthy diet and remind you to take your supplements- the worst part about being sick is you don't have the energy or fortitude to

keep on keeping on. Once you tip the scale in your body to the HEALING side you will start to get better. And after feeling so terrible for so long even small improvements will be large wins and fuel the will to get completely well.

Best of health.

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[Nemesis19](#) Jul 29, 2015

Well I hope you are right Vicky as at present I am extremely ill.

My head is like some kind of weird pressure cooker and I can smell burning and have a,l sorts of other weird symptoms. I think the metal has passed the blood brain barrier I honestly don't think I will ever be the same again, and so far I have only had four out.

Anybody who does this should get professional help to detox

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[mb5497](#) Aug 01, 2015

Hi your story of your mother in law is exactly like my father who at 85 was in awesome health walking everyday 4 miles he was such an inspiration..he then underwent 3 dental implants and has been suffering ever since.. In the past 18 months he is unrecognizable with the exact symptoms your mother in law had..can you tell me if she had them removed and if so how did it go,

thanks for your time,

mary

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[terrybrown12](#) Aug 02, 2015

Hi Mary, Sorry to hear about your father. Is he going to get his implants removed? I am certain if he did he would gain his health back.

~Terry

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[chtfe](#) Aug 03, 2015

Hi Mary,

sorry to hear about your father. My mother in law didn't have her implants removed yet. Her dentist said he would remove them if that is what she wants, but she is still waiting for a date. It is a tough decision for her - many people in her entourage are sceptical that removing the dental implants will help. In my mind, removing the implants should be a top priority as it is one of the only options left that we have that could be addressing the cause of the autoimmune response. She is worried that because she is immuno-suppressed with her medication she could get infected. In the meantime, she will be seeing a biological dentist next week to have her mouth looked at and possibly all the mercury removed from her mouth. If and when she has her implants removed, I will document her progress in this forum. If you have access to a biological dentist in your area, maybe you should consider an appointment and see where it leads. Good luck!

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[mb5497](#) Aug 03, 2015

We cannot get a dentist to remove them without a Doctor agreeing the implants are the reason for his health decline... which is crazy because he has had every test done and nothing shows up...they did remove his dental embutments which are the screws that were attaching some dentures.. perhaps this will elevated some symptoms . WE will be hard pressed to find a doctor to admit titanium can cause any auto immune response. Thank you I will look for a Biological Dentist....I wish you the Best of Luck and will pray for your mother in law,  
Mary

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[mb5497](#) Aug 03, 2015

Dear Terry,

We saw his dentist today and he told us that he would not recommend this given my fathers age 87, the procedure is to evasive...which is confusing because they put them in at 86...in any case he suggested removing the screws with were holding dentures in ...perhaps this may help ..suggested we take it one step at a time...the surgery to remove them entails cutting them out of the bone and its difficult...any advice would be greatly appreciated...or any dentist in the Upstate New York area...  
thanks so much for caring,

Mary

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[VickiT60](#) Aug 03, 2015

I was diagnosed with Lyme 25 years ago after being bitten by hundreds of deer ticks. I recovered but after the dental implants were installed I started experiencing the same symptoms as Lyme but never tested positive again for Lyme. Coincidence?

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[VickiT60](#) Aug 03, 2015

I am also at "that age" so doctors chalk every symptom up to hormone issues. I do have to mention something here: having your immune system in overdrive can actually cause food allergies. So if you get all metal out of mouth and don't start getting better immediately you may have developed other allergies (to metal or food). Trying a full on elimination diet or some variation thereof (no milk for 2 weeks, no wheat for 2 weeks, etc) can help you pinpoint these. Or you can get an ELISA test. I had ELISA testing after my amalgams were removed and discovered MANY foods I had to avoid for a few years. So hang in there, remains being the implants is the most important first step, but it might not be the only step.

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[terrybrown12](#) Aug 03, 2015

Mary ,  
Feel free to email me.  
terrybrown12ataoldotcom  
There is one doctor in New York and if your Dad can travel I have 2 excellent ones here in California.

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[chtef](#) Aug 04, 2015

Mary,  
my understanding is that there is a tool and technique that makes it relatively easy to remove the implants. Dr. Mehta (ocendo.com) in California has been using this tool for the removal of several implants with minimal damage and discomfort. I think the tool is described here: <http://www.oralhealthgroup.com/news/removing-implants-with-a-twist/1001738871/?&er=NA>

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[PT105](#) Aug 04, 2015

I know of a dentist in upstate NY but he is quite a distance from you, being in the Saratoga area. Have you tried Hal Huggins website or Mercola's? They probably have links to biological dentists. If I recall, there may be one in the Rochester area.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Aug 04, 2015

This group will also send you a list of biological dentists in your area if you ask them: <http://amalgam.org/>

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[Smilie52](#) Aug 05, 2015

My son had his implants removed by his oral surgeon in Oct.2014. He had implant surgery March 2012. In sept. He started having all these strange symptoms, bladder symptoms, frequency of urination and bladder pain, anxiety, headaches. He has been to urologists, had a cystoscope. Dr. Said thought could be related to nerve in his body causing it. Has had Ct scans, Mri of brain, everything came back normal. He had nausea too. Went to GI Dr. Had a colonoscopy and endoscopy and ck out normal too. Since he has had them removed his headaches is gone but still has bladder issues and 2 weeks ago joint pain and numbness in his feet. He still has a lot of anxiety and worrying he has M.S. I feel so helpless as a Mom and trying to be supportive but thought having his implants removed would help. He is 26 yrs. old he is too young and married to be sick. Dr. Should he get tested for metal toxicity? I'm thinking metal is still in his system. I would appreciate any help!!

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[terrybrown12](#) Aug 05, 2015

Hi,

My advice would be to see a naturopath or functional medicine MD and start healing the body.

I was 60 percent better after the removal of my implants and it was a long journey to regain my health. I have to do so much to stay well. I eat a diet that supports good gut and brain health and I see a natural specialist monthly to stay on top of things.

I think there can be underlying issues and the titanium implant can set them off. Also I do believe metal poisoning is a culprit too.

I do not have all the answers but following protocols that are alternative to cure autoimmune diseases really do help! (even if you aren't diagnosed with one)

These days I am all about keeping my gut healthy, detoxing out crap, and not letting any more crap in. (Gmo foods, Non organic foods, no vaccines, flu shots....)

Am I the rock star example of great health? No, but I am doing very well and it took a long time to get here and it is continuous work.

I highly suggest the book Brain Maker and Grain Brain. Eliminating Sugar and Gluten from my diet has made a HUGE difference!

Most folks need to replace good gut bacteria which helps the body to begin the healing process. Probiotics, prebiotics and fermented food are great.

I hope this helps a little.



All the best to your son.

Terry

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[rowdybuddy](#) Aug 06, 2015

I can second every thing you just said. As well as I did after my implant removal, I am finding it really important to follow up with proper maintenance. I've just found a really good integrative doctor two weeks ago who has laid out a great program for me. We've started with supplements and vitamins that will slowly start removing some metals from my system, and starting the first week of September my silver/mercury fillings will be replaced one at a time, then a gold crown, to get all the metal out of my mouth. I've started on probiotics as well. My doctor says it is possible my body could eventually chelate on it's own. If not we can try using natural products, and if that does not work probably go to the I.V. chelation. This all can sound like a lot, it's pretty basic stuff once you look into it all, and it is extremely important.

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[terrybrown12](#) Aug 06, 2015

I am so glad to hear all you are doing!

You will reap the benifits!

It is good to get the mercury out too and done safely it is worth doing.

My downfall was them all coming out in one day, a mouthful, and the dentist did not use a rubber dam. He was a holistic dentist too!!!

He did fill them with a good material too, that you need to research.I'm not sure what it is called.

Terry

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[jan81350](#) Aug 06, 2015

Is there a dentist online on this forum ?

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[jan81350](#) Aug 06, 2015

Sorry i posted this question on the wrong forum... .

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[rowdybuddy](#) Aug 06, 2015

I have had a meeting with a holistic dentist and felt very comfortable with his methods and the materials he will use to replace the silver fillings in September (and I don't recall what it is off the top of my head).

Terry did you go through any chelation?

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[terrybrown12](#) Aug 07, 2015

Check out Andrew Cultler's methods. I think he has the most sound method.

I never went through IV chelating because according to the Cultler's method it can redistribute mercury to other organs and make you worse.

To do the cultler protocol you must have no mercury in anywhere and unfortunately I still have crowns that were bonded with mercury.

I am assuming and hoping that most of the mercury in my body has exited bit by bit with my healthy eating and supplements.

He has a few books and a very extensive developed on line support group.

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[Smilie52](#) Aug 07, 2015

Thank you Terry for all your helpful info. My son doesn't have any silver fillings And always been healthy guy until had implants in. We are definitely making appointment with naturalpath Dr. My son has been trying to eat healthy, gluten free and drinking organic juicing. The only thing he has lost about 15 lbs. His normal weight is usually 170 lbs and he is 6'0 tall. Thank you for all your encouraging words!! I'm praying in time he will be back to his normal self.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Aug 07, 2015

Thanks for that info Terry.

How do you find out if you have mercury in your body, and is it possible to figure out where? We are at a point

where we are trying to decide which method(s) to use to test for metal and mercury toxicity.

When you say your crowns are bonded with mercury, could you explain what that means and if there's anything that can be done about that? I have three silver fillings we are going to replace in September, and then a gold crown. I also have three other crowns, and based on my health, we might consider pulling those crowns off to see if there's silver under them, the biological dentist I saw said some dentist leave silver under crowns.

I do not like the idea of the I.V. chelation, I see a lot of raving about the wonders it does, but I also see a lot of warnings about the problems it can cause. The integrative doctor I'm seeing believes we can chelate naturally, I guess with supplements and proper dieting, and hopefully not have to ever consider the I.V. method.

Thanks again for the info, and I will check into Andrew Cutlers.

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[terrybrown12](#) Aug 07, 2015

I have been metal tested through urine testing and saliva testing. The AC protocol goes into great depth on this.

The best way to tell if you are metal overloaded is symptoms. I read up on all of this so much and there were conflicting views on testing methods as well the most safe and proper detox.

I found Andrew Cutlers protocol to be the most thought out researched based out there but also a bit of trip down the rabbit hole!

It is my understanding that the silver used to bond the crowns often has mercury in it. So if you are detoxing mercury from your system it will leach out from the crowns and fillings and re deposit elsewhere in your body. Most certainly all of your crowns were bonded with silver unless you had one of the few no metal dentist in the country place your crowns.

I believe my body has cleared the majority of the metals out through supplements and diet.

If I had continued to be ill the next step for me would have been removing the crowns I had left and then doing Cutlers protocol. But thankfully that does not seem needed. I have spent a fortune on the work I have already had done and if my funds were unlimited I would remove the crowns but it's not in the budget now!

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[rowdybuddy](#) Aug 07, 2015

Thanks for the response, it will help guide me once again. It is amazing how much all of this work costs. I have two dental policies, both of which help very little.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Aug 07, 2015

A book that has been recommended to me as well is one called "Mercury Detoxification Simplified" by a guy named William Rasmussen.

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[terrybrown12](#) Aug 08, 2015

thanks! I will check it out!

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[Smilie52](#) Aug 10, 2015

What vitamins and supplements do you take to remove metals from your body? I have written a post about my son and terrybrown responded. Any advice you can give me I would appreciate. Thank you!

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[Smilie52](#) Aug 10, 2015

I saw where you had posted to terry brown you take supplements and vitamins to remove metal from your body. I had written a post to terrybrown about my son and his struggles. What kind of supplants and vitamins do you take? I would appreciate any helpful info you can give.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Aug 10, 2015

I can share with you what my doctor has put me on, and that in no way should be taken as a program anybody and everybody should start in order to start removing metals from their system. My best advice is to seek a holistic/biological/integrative/alternative doctor in your area and get specific advice for your specific case.

The program I have started will remove very little metal overall as it stands, but you have to start slow, removing too much too fast is very dangerous. So none of this stuff is going to work any miracles, it just gets the ball rolling. We are replacing my silver/mercury fillings in September, and we have to start with this slow and simple process ahead of time. Once the fillings are removed and my body adjusts to metals being removed, we will

eventually get more aggressive.

Eventually we will move to chelating, at first just taking pills for that, and hopefully that's all that's needed. There is a very aggressive chelation method where they inject some synthetic agent into your body via I.V. that can be used as a last resort if natural methods don't work, but it is something you really need to learn about before considering trying.

For now I am just taking vitamin E, vitamin C, a multi-mineral supplement called Nutrient 950, Selenium, Chlorella, mixing cilantro into a pesto that I take every day, a small amount of MSM powder, Co Q 10, glutathione, magnesium citrate, ther-biotic detox support.....

Again that is just what my doctor has put me on and in no way is a suggestion that anyone else should start taking these things.

There is an organization called Dental Amalgam Mercury Solutions, you can do a Google search for them and find them. You can get in touch with them and request a list of holistic etc doctors in your area that can directly help you. If you Google "heavy metal detox" you can learn more about the processes and the things used. I'm just getting started in this, I don't know much about it. Best of luck to you and to everybody in overcoming these problems.

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[VickiT60](#) Aug 11, 2015

the reason testing for metals in the body has detractors and supporters is because testing of blood and urine for metals just shows load, not response. The presence of metals in the body doesn't necessarily cause health problems. In fact, metals have probably always been in our bodies to a certain degree but we have been able to chelate them put through diet. In Mexico where heavy silver mining was done, cilantro was eaten in abundance to naturally chelate mercury from the body as it was being absorbed during mining. (Mercury co-exists with silver in nature.) (I've had great results with cilantro pesto made with raw Brazil nuts-source of selenium- and a few other ingredients.)

So testing for presence of metals may not be suitable. Some authorities also disagree on whether testing for ANTIBODIES to the metals is valid but I feel this is the only appropriate method. If your MELISA test shows antibodies then the metal should be removed in entirety- at least a few years or until the sensitivity has disappeared. Ideally, the metal should never be laced again as the tendency to be allergic has a higher chance of returning. After removal, symptoms can remain because molecules of metal are still present (need to chelate) or the immune system still stays ramped up (whole body wellness protocol). Don't forget that while the immune system was in overdrive you may have also become allergic to other metals (gold, silver, nickel) that weren't even part of the implants or to certain foods (dairy, wheat, eggs, etc) or other substances (MSG, Sodium Lauth Sulfate, perfumes, dyes, etc) so ELISA testing may be necessary if your symptoms don't quickly improve.

I'm waiting now on my MELISA test results for implants.

Best of health to everyone.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Aug 11, 2015

How do you know if your MELISA test shows antibodies? I'll have to find my results from the test and look, I don't even recall how the results were presented.

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[Smilie52](#) Aug 11, 2015

Thank you for your info and resources. My daughter is also a dentist and made him app. With biological dentist who she is friends with. Praying and hoping he helps and on the road to recovery!! My best to you !!

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[Smilie52](#) Aug 11, 2015

Vicki I read where you use cilantro/raw Brazil pesto. Does this Brazil pesto come in a jar? I shop at Kroger. Where can I get this Heath food stores or whole foods? I wrote a post about my son and his struggles having implants in and removed October 2013. Sadly he is having numbness, tingling, in his feet and joint pain off and on. Bladder issues, urinary frequency and bladder pain off and on. Was hoping he would improve after implant removal!! Has a app. With biological dentist. Hoping and praying he will improve and he can help. My son has always been healthy until he had his implants put in. Have you improved, I have read your posts. Wish you the best!!

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[giunture](#) Aug 11, 2015

Does anybody know a doctor in NYC who could order melisa testing?

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[VickiT60](#) Aug 11, 2015

Results are presented with metal and whether positive or negative. My doc accidentally ordered amalgam/crown test the first time. Ugh, except I discovered I'm allergic to gold. I'm waiting for results on implant test now.

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[Ihavealreadybeentaken1](#) Aug 11, 2015

I have had an album fillings in the majority of my teeth since high school. I have quite a few med allergies and numerous med intolerance and quite a few food allergies and intolerance. I have osteoarthritis everywhere, that started in 1979 and progressed steadily. So far I've had two hip replacements and my back is a mess. I start having severe anxiety and depression in high school and I am a complete mess now with no help in sight. I mentioned about the mercury to my dentist years ago but he just laughed. I think I was right, just this year I have had three abscesses in the last six months. I am very concerned about my mental health and becoming paralyzed because of apathy of the medical community here when there was no need of it. I wish I knew how to get some treatment when I just have to keep waiting and suffering.

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[VickiT60](#) Aug 11, 2015

Go to MELISA.ORG and send them email asking about any local doctor who can order test for you. I live in Virginia and there were no doctors in my state who could order the test. They gave me names and numbers of 3 doctors around the U.S. that do phone consults and order the test to be drop-shipped to you. The only one I could get through to was Gloria Hyzer in Wisconsin and she has been very responsive. I also discovered that very few facilities will do blood draws for outside companies so check around before you drive to your local Labcorp or Quest Diagnostics. They don't do blood draws, nor Patient first or Medic One. I DID find a HCA emergency center that DOES do the blood draw (\$25). Also, MELISA.ORG has a map that will show you labs close to you that do blood draws but call them to make sure they still do draws for outside testing facilities.

Best of health.

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[VickiT60](#) Aug 11, 2015

A link to a Cilantro Pesto recipe:

<https://ybertaud9.wordpress.com/2012/04/07/cilantro-pesto-removes-heavy-metals-health-benefits/>

I have never seen it in a jar but you never know what you'll find these days. I usually go to a bulk food section of a good store and buy exactly how much I need of each item. I eat a heaping teaspoon each day on a cracker, chew really fast and swallow. (I hate the taste of oil.) It does work. After I had my amalgams removed I ate this daily for 6 months and the underside of my tongue eventually went from black back to a healthy pink. Salsa

packed with cilantro is also great but this choice not for people who still have amalgams as the acidity releases more Mercury from fillings.

Best of health.

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[VickiT60](#) Aug 13, 2015

You may want to try "oil swishing" - mix some melted coconut oil (not too hot) and add some cinnamon oil or peppermint flavoring (all the above can be found at Walmart) and swish like mouthwash for 15 minutes or as long as you can stand. This is supposed to help ALL mouth and gum problems. The coconut oil is antibacterial, anti fungal and will even whiten teeth. For me this helps with the jaw pain, the sore spots on the inside of my cheeks and the general taste of metal in my mouth. I'm not suggesting this is going to solve your problems - it won't but it help with your symptoms until you get some kind of resolution with the teeth. If you are getting infections or running fevers you can swish with colloidal silver (I swallow after swishing) a few times a day. Commercial colloidal silver is expensive so if at all possible make your own for about 5 cents a gallon. Some companies use salt which is not colloidal silver. If you can't/ won't make your own email me at Vicki.\*\*\*@\*\*\*\* and send me your address and I will send you a bottle.

Best of health.

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[Smilie52](#) Aug 18, 2015

My son also had a bone graft, I'm not sure what kind of material he used. You mentioned they used a synthetic material for your bone graft. Do you know if oral surgeons use different materials. I'm worried that when my son had his implants removed the oral surgeon used a material that could have triggered his symptoms to get worse. Terry thankyou for all your info and being so helpful! My son has app. End of August with naturopath/ biologist dentist. Hopefully he can help and start healing his body. We have been thru alot my husband has been diagnosed with stage 4 appendix Cancer year and half ago and liost my Dad 2 weeks later. my son and Daughter did research and found a surgical oncologist specialist that saved his life. My husband is well,although he is not Cancer free yet his ct scan is stable. My son and my husband is real close, losing his grandfather and having his own health issues since he had them removed it has been difficult!! Keeping the faith!!

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[terrybrown12](#) Aug 19, 2015

I am sorry to hear of all your family is going through.

I really dont have any advice or information about the bone graft.

Has your son had any vaccinations (flu shot, tentanus) lately?

Has he been on many antibiotics?

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[Smilie52](#) Aug 19, 2015

No he hasn't ever had a flu shot. He hadn't had a tetanus since high school. I think one antibiotic last winter.

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[terrybrown12](#) Aug 20, 2015

That's good, I have been studying up on the ingredients in vaccines and that can be troublesome. Sending good thoughts your way!

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[VickiT60](#) Aug 28, 2015

I wanted to post on my recent findings because they may apply to others. The results of the MELISA testing came in and I am not allergic to any of the dental implant materials. (A previous test showed I am allergic to gold but I doubt there is gold in titanium implants since the manufacturers can use such cheaper materials.) But I have had such horrible systemic problems for the last 6 months I now suspect I have an ongoing low grade infection around my lower left molar implant. The gum around the implant does not bleed and is not inflamed but throbs incessantly. Each course of antibiotics helps but the pain and systemic symptoms return shortly afterwards. I have found an oral surgeon who, despite my not being allergic, is going to remove this implant September 15- or earlier if there is a cancellation. I am beginning echinacea extract as a preparation for surgery as it more easily penetrates bone; I am worried my chest pain all this time may be endo-carditis related to the ongoing infection and I need to clear this up before getting anesthesia.

I have posted this for the benefit of all- having pain from only one implant when you have many -and that one painful implant being asymptomatic for peri-implantitis- may mean you have an infection in the jawbone at that site. I will post after the removal and list any improvements.

Best of health to all.

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[MomKD](#) Sep 07, 2015

I've had amalgam fillings for over 30 years, and a root canal and crown in 2010, all with no issues. I had a titanium implant on Feb 2 of this year. Almost immediately, I had terrible dry mouth, and either a salty, metallic or bitter taste, all of which the oral surgeon had "never heard of". I had him remove the implant post on March 16 because I was miserable. The problems improved a little, but I still have a metallic taste every day, some days its worse than others, mainly coming from the area of the implant. If I talk for long periods of time (and I am in sales) I get to the point I can no longer speak. I've seen my regular dentist, another dentist, an ENT, and my MD.

No one can help. Can the titanium implant kick off a galvanic reaction that does not go away? I've had 2 more amalgams replaced with composite. Might this improve on its own over time? Its been 6 months since the titanium was removed. Is there another type of doctor I should see? Any thoughts would be appreciated.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Sep 07, 2015

"Can the titanium implant kick off a galvanic reaction that does not go away? I've had 2 more amalgams replaced with composite. Might this improve on its own over time? Its been 6 months since the titanium was removed. Is there another type of doctor I should see? Any thoughts would be appreciated. "

Biological/holistic dentists will tell you yes, on the galvanic reaction. I am in the middle of this right now myself. I am about to have amalgams and crowns replaced and a root canal tooth pulled. I am sure they are causing me similar (but much much lesser) problems that the implant caused me before it was removed.

The galvanic reaction will cause mercury to be released into your system. I don't believe it will go away on it's own, but if your level isn't too severe it might not cause you any noticeable problems and if you aren't reactive to it. Everybody has different sensitivity levels.

Once you have all the metal out of your mouth, you may need chelation therapy, depending on how you feel and how how bad the metal and mercury levels are in your system. This is something I am just learning about, it appears there are two types of chelation, one is oral (pills and supplements and vitamins I believe) that have a very low absorption rate and are pretty weak overall. The other type is I.V. chelation, which is pretty strong and can be dangerous if not done properly, it has to be done slowly and over time.

Google an organization called DAMS (Dental Amalgam Mercury Solutions), and you can request from them a list of holistic/biological/integrative doctors and dentists in your area. You really need to see these types, the traditional/conventional medical world still thinks this is all hoodoo voodoo and we're all crazy and this metal problem is all in our minds. The good news is there are some doctors and dentists out there who do know the truth and how to treat it, there's just not a whole lot of them.

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[MomKD](#) Sep 07, 2015

Thanks for your response. I have one amalgam that is fairly close to the site of the implant. I think I will have that one out as soon as possible and see if it helps. The metal taste appears to be coming from that general area. I have googled DAMS and will see if there is someone in my area. I'll report back if there is any change after getting rid of this amalgam. I'd like to get my levels tested. I'd like to try the oral chelation and see if it helps. Thanks again for your advice!

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[rowdybuddy](#) Sep 07, 2015

No problem. As I said this is all very new to me and I am in the beginning phases of this process myself (concerning the amalgams and chelation).

I do know you are supposed to go slowly with the amalgam removals, one at a time. That's a key to the whole process, not doing things too quickly. Your body can have big reactions to even small changes, even removing just small amounts of metal from your body can cause huge changes and reactions.

Seeing a holistic or biological dentist is a very important start--the amalgams have to be removed a certain way, and only these types know how to do that without releasing more mercury and maybe other metals into your system. Those type dentists probably have connections with biological or holistic or integrative doctors or can refer you to one who can set up a program regarding the chelation process, or whatever process is best for you to remove metals from your system.

I do believe some people have been able to achieve success with just dietary changes and oral chelation, the proper type doctor can work on that with you.

I was told I needed to start this before we removed the first amalgam, I have been on a program for about 5-6 weeks now taking supplements and vitamins that remove very small amounts of metal, to help my body start adjusting and prepare for all of this. Very important to seek the advice of a good holistic or biological or integrative doctor before getting into all of this.

We will begin replacing the amalgams and crowns in my mouth in about three weeks probably.

Not everybody reports having that metal taste in their mouth, personally I had a dreadful and very strong taste of metal in my mouth the whole six months my implant was in. That taste went away after it was removed though.

I don't recall DAMS having an actual list of doctors and dentists on their site, but you should be able to find a place on their site where you can request a list, and they will send one to you. I got an email response very quickly and a list showed up in the mail within 3-4 days.

Best of luck with everything.

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[rowdybuddy](#) Sep 07, 2015

One other interesting side note. The biological dentist I am seeing now, the one who will be replacing my amalgams and crowns, actually told me the galvanization of the metals in my mouth was likely more of a problem than the metal in the implant itself. He said most likely, if I had that implant placed and had no other metals in my mouth, it would have never caused me any problems. However, the reaction between the metals in the implant and the plethora of other metals I have throughout my mouth is what created my problems. That's how much emphasis he puts on the whole galvanization issue.

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[MomKD](#) Sep 08, 2015

Having that implant for 6 weeks was the worse thing I ever did! I wish I could go back in time. I know so many people who get them and have no problems...

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[rowdybuddy](#) Sep 08, 2015

I have now talked to several biological doctors/dentists who believe every person who has any kind of metal in their mouth has problems because of it. Most are chronic issues that play out over a lot of years and are never tied to implants or mercury from fillings. It's just a rare few who are hyper sensitive and have the big and quick reactions like most of us who post messages here.

I've always been pretty sensitive to everything, so looking back it amazes me that I never thought twice about having the titanium implant installed. But I had never heard of anybody having any problems from them, so I never gave it a second thought. Until afterwards and I had all the problems pop up at the same time.

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[Frozen123](#) Sep 19, 2015

I read that there are alot of issues when titanium implants are placed.  
Are there any succes - stories after they are removed ? I don't read this quite often when i check out the blog.

What can you expect if you choose to replace or remove them ? Is there directly a change in the eventual symptoms that you have ?

Is there more info to find on the internet , like a website ?

Hoping to find some answers.

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[terrybrown12](#) Sep 22, 2015

Hi Best to settle in with a cup of tea and read from page one.  
Lots of good info here!

Terry

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[Joe6060](#) Oct 08, 2015

So, we did read the entire blog. We ended up talking about the issue for days and finally agreed that we had more questions than we started with.

Especially about the healing - process. Can we contact a professional to discuss the pro and contra's ?

Joe

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[terrybrown12](#) Oct 10, 2015

I wish there were professionals we could turn to on this matter. We are all pretty much pioneers trying to figure it all out.

Please feel free to email me and my dentist is pretty knowledgeable about all of this stuff and the dangers of titanium.

1 Comments

[Joe6060](#) Oct 29, 2015

Did send private message.

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[Joe6060](#) Oct 23, 2015

We will do research.

Can we email the dentist ?

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[Joe6060](#) Oct 29, 2015

Is there a delay ? Did you receive our question ? Is there any way we can arrange to meet up with others who had this problem ?

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[terrybrown12](#) Oct 29, 2015

Joe, I am not sure what your original situation is. I am more comfortable communicating via email or private message here.

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[19Renee82](#) Jan 08, 2016

Hi Terry. Thank you for posting this information. I just had my titanium implant removed this morning and have been recovering from a severe Vitamin D deficiency. As a result of the deficiency I believe that my body is suffering from an autoimmune response but of course the two gen practice doctors I went to and multiple specialist believe that my WBC is slightly low because I just have a cold or something. I noticed you said your autoimmune response went into remission through diet. I also went on a very strict, healthy diet that caused my symptoms to nearly disappear. So much so that I forgot about my symptoms and loosened up on my diet which caused the symptoms to return. Anyway, my removal of my fully integrated implant of 8 years, (I struggled with issues from it for that long with no surgeon wanting to remove it), went very quickly and I also had a bone graft. I am hoping that along with the implant removal, and return of my strict diet, my symptoms will subside again. I would like to know what symptoms you are suffering from if you ever return back to this site. Thanks, Renee

2 Comments

[terrybrown12](#) Jan 08, 2016

Hi Renee, I have none of the symptoms I had. I am recovered. It did take a while though and I do need to be very mindful of my diet. If you can find a holistic MD or natural practioner that may help, but a pure diet and lifestyle will go a long long way to recovery!

[terrybrown12](#) Jan 08, 2016

PS--it felt really great to write that!!!! What a hell of a journey this has been!!!!

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jan 08, 2016

Terry, just to update you on my status, just today we removed the last of the metal from my mouth. In the last 8 weeks I've had all four wisdom teeth pulled (two had silver/mercury fillings) and pulling them all was a simpler cheaper fix. I also had a bad root canal pulled, and then I had 6 crowns replaced and three more silver/mercury fillings removed. Completely metal free now.

I've been getting small doses of I.V. chelation and I.V. vitamins/minerals once a week for about 10 weeks too....we've slowly worked our way up to half a bag of EDTA my last two visits. At first it made me feel really

run down for 3-4 days, then my body adjusted and I've felt almost no ill effects the last couple weeks.

I've just learned from my biological dentist today about a new chelator called OSR that may be available by the end of this calendar year. It's not really "new," the guy had released it previously and the FDA squashed it. He's gotten private funding and is going to release it again as a supplement instead of a drug. It's going to be in a pill form, not I.V. This product is supposed to be especially efficient at targeting mercury and removing it from the body. Here's some info:

<http://leftbrainrightbrain.co.uk/2014/07/22/is-boyd-haley-resurrecting-osr1-as-a-chelator/>

I also was exposed to this for the first time today, I cannot believe I've not even heard of this until now:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vsT5xSBa4Jc>

And I guess maybe you saw this article that appeared in newspapers all around the country the other day:

<http://www.charlotteobserver.com/living/health-family/article53154540.html>

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[terrybrown12](#) Jan 08, 2016

I'll check those out! I still have a few crowns to go. CONGRATS to you to have your mouth all metal free now, I know what a big deal that is!!

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[rowdybuddy](#) Jan 09, 2016

Just getting all the metal out of my mouth has made me feel better already. I did not want to resort to the I.V. chelation, in the beginning I wasn't going to, until I found out how loaded I was with about 7 different metals, just off the charts. My holistic and integrative doctors agreed I was going to have to go the I.V. route to get the metals out of my system. At least the EDTA is the "mildest" of the I.V. chelator options, or so I've been told, it just doesn't work on removing mercury. So I'm really glad to hear about his OSR product.

What are you waiting on, get the rest of your crowns replaced! I'll bet you're waiting because you feel good and don't want to rock the boat. That's the reason I waited to get started, I felt good and did not want to mess with anything. Then I started going downhill fast again and had no choice. I'm sure I had the galvanic reaction, and as more metals leaked into my system it finally got to the point where I was feeling bad again.

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[terrybrown12](#) Jan 10, 2016

I have/had many crowns, just paying for all the dental work the past 9 years, I could have bought a home in an affordable state!! Im not kidding either. Almost there, 3 more I think...

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[Desertgypsy](#) Jan 22, 2016

Thanks to everyone posting here. I was seriously entertaining the idea of getting an implant. You have all changed my mind. I have had all amalgam removed, and had the non-metal crowns. But they didnt last. They tend to shatter easily, and so I am back to metal/porcelain crowns.

It's interesting that the dental community say implants are 95% safe. I wonder how many people have them, and just accept the resulting illnesses, and so never report them.

Sending you all blessings, gratitude, and healing.

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[Deedybell](#) Feb 04, 2016

I had 2 Titanium implants in June 2015 and about three months later, I began having constant headaches, severe itching with burning sensations on my ears, arms, trunk, buttocks and thighs. These itch attacks were so severe and would last up to 4 hours. Acupuncture is the only thing that actually allows me to get through this. The only thing different in my life are the dental implants so I talked with my oral surgeon's assistant and she insists that there has never been a documented case of an allergic reaction to Titanium and that it can't be the implants...Went to see an allergist who said the same thing to me. Blood tests done were normal except for a positive ANA. I had the abutments removed 3 weeks ago which gave slight relief, but the itching skin is back. My oral surgeon is asking me to just take the itch medications and bear this while he researches the issue further because osseointegration has occurred already and it would be worst to have them removed. Somehow I do not believe this.

I have found a dermatologist who has helped people in my situation. He is going to do the MELISA test and also patch testing on me. I want the implants out of my mouth so badly.

1 Comments

[terrybrown12](#) Feb 09, 2016

Your story is our story.....I am sad you are going through this. Read all of these pages. There are solutions. We were all told the same things by our dentists and doctors too.

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[Implantz](#) Feb 22, 2016

Hello, I had 2 titanium implants placed in my mouth back in 2007. The gum around it was extremely inflamed and purplish and never settled down so a year later the doctor, knowing I was allergic to nickel, replaced the abutments thinking it must be this since the implants themselves were titanium. Fast forward to 2016, gums never really settling down but being told they look great, yes the implants look great but the gums looked terrible, always felt fatigued and sickly with a lot of complaining of frequent swollen glands. Yes all my medical physicals were passed with flying colors and nothing could be found wrong. I dug deep and took the Clifford Allergy Test. Not only is Nickel toxic for me but so is Aluminum. I obtained the alloy composition of both the implants and of the abutments and found that yes the new abutments did in fact have nickel but I also found out that my "titanium" implants(titanium, which I am not allergic to, by itself is not that strong so they add various alloys to make it strong) in my case the key added alloy was Aluminium. HELLOOO!!!! At that instance I decided to have both removed, ASAP! Both implants were fully integrated in the bone and I obtained three



different dentist opinions how to remove them and all wanted to use a trephine drill and cut them out(sounded pretty barbaric to me). These 2 implants were in the top front of my mouth, I did not want to lose any more bone than I had to and risk the chance of being deformed. Long story short, I found an oral surgeon in Maryland who specializes in "unscrewing" them!!! Flew there and just like he said, couple of shots of Novocaine and each implant was unscrewed in I think less than 10 minutes!!!!

3 Comments

[Bettybettybeat](#) Mar 29, 2019

Could you tell me the surgeon's name? I live in Md. My surgeon is Dr Will. Is he the one???

[Implantz](#) Mar 29, 2019

Dr. Ryan Kazemi

[Implantz](#) Mar 29, 2019

complete success, other than my gums still gray from where the titanium implants had been,don't know if this is called leaching or oxidization or whatever, but left a grayish hue. Those "Titanium" implants when checked the composition sheet(I obtained from the dentist after all this happened) indated they were called "Tivanium". Major component..aluminum. Hope to God I never need a hip or knee replacement.



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[Implantz](#) Feb 22, 2016

FYI: some doctors claim to be able to unscrew implants, but this doctor is where those doctors send their failed attempts(broken implants etc). Wish I could shout out his name but not sure on this site?

2 Comments

[Judyg0352](#) Apr 12, 2016

May you pls share Doctor name?

[Judyg0352](#) Apr 12, 2016

Please share Doctor name. Was it a success?

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[terrybrown12](#) Feb 23, 2016

YES shout out his name!!

I am so happy for you!

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[Judyg0352](#) Apr 12, 2016

I found it!! Kazemi oral surgery in Maryland.

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[gardengalbc](#) Apr 26, 2016

I had a successful implant in my upper molar and a sinus lift in Nov 2015. I had no problems at all until the crown was placed in Oct 2016. About 2 wks afterwards, I started having trouble breathing when laying down at night. My sinuses were swollen shut and my ears and throat badly itched. I could only breathe sitting up. I've had asthma since childhood I thought it was related to that. Except I've never had problems with my sinuses before this. Since Oct. I've had a recurring sinus drip and lung congestion. I've been sleeping in a "reclining position". I've been on 4 rounds of antibiotics for what felt like sinus infections. I only started feeling this badly since the crown was placed. My dentist was willing to remove the crown and abutment. It's easy because it's screwed in. It was out for 1 month and I felt a lot better. Still had itchy ears but still thought it was just allergies. I had the crown put back in yesterday. Last night my throat and sinuses were badly swollen and constantly itchy. My breathing was compromised. I had to take an antihistamine and stay awake. ..then went to sleep in a sitting position. I saw my dentist today and he said he'd take out the abutment and crown again for me. I don't want to remove the implant if I don't have to. He is going to research my reaction. I have a lot of other metal in my mouth - gold crowns, etc. Mercury was removed in 2007. No other implants. Should I just remove the crown and abutment and leave the healing cover in?

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[gardengalbc](#) Apr 26, 2016

Is it possible to have a reaction to the crown and abutment, but not the implant? I had no symptoms until the crown was placed a yr after the implant. Terrible ear, nose and throat swelling and itching. Can't sleep laying down because the sinuses close up.

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[terrybrown12](#) Apr 27, 2016

Is the crown put on with a metal mixture?

It could be galvanization.

There have been others on the board with the same type of reaction as you once the crown was put on I believe.

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[gardengalbc](#) Apr 28, 2016

I had the crown and abutment removed yesterday...easy to do. My dentist said he has heard of people reacting to the crown and abutment...he suggested a ceramic/zirconium crown. I plan to do the metals test first. He also gave me the label for the crown (Noble), which he had attached to my chart. It has the complete alloy breakdown. I am going to wait several months to let my allergies go away. Thanks for replying to my post.

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[terrybrown12](#) Apr 28, 2016

all of my new crowns are ceramic with no metal binding and I am doing well with them.

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[Implantz](#) Apr 30, 2016

Correct!! Dr. Kazemi in Maryland! Total success, my mouth has healed wonderfully!!!! those "Titanium" implants that were removed left a blackish tattoo behind where they use to be...not NO more pain discomfort or misery!!!

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[miciaxFF](#) May 17, 2016

Hi, has anyone here had voice problems?

I have an implant since 2009.

The dentist caused me a paresthesia during the operation, so I never wanted to actually put the tooth on top of the screw, searching for years if I could first find a solution to the problem.

Worse than that, short after the operation some strange symptoms in my voice started to occur: it shakes, trembles and cracks up.

I was diagnosed a spasmodic dysphonia, which is a neurological problem that affects the voice.

As with many neurological diseases, it is known, but nobody knows why it starts, nor has a solution to that.

I was advised by a biological dentist to remove the screw, as it might cause a reaction with 2 crowns which I have in my mouth.

Finally I decided to remove it, hoping that it changes something.

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[IGI2015](#) Jul 14, 2016

Hello from Slovenia-EU,

Here is my story if someone needs information about titanium implants.

I become very ill 8 years ago. My life was like vegetation. I researched around all Europe and USA to found doctor or person who can help me.

After 3 years when I totally exchange my lifestyle I found reason for my problems, It was silver fillings. After 2 years extreme detoxify – I am lucky that I had support from Dr. Andrew Cutler, one of the best doctor in the world for amalgam detoxify – I got 50 % of my life and my health back. But not all. First I thought that maybe my body is damaged from 15 years of 7 amalgams filling. Than I was shocked when I got information about titanium problems. I had 3 titanium implants with 5 zirconium teeth on. Doctors in my country have told me that

titanium is not case for my problems. At that time my problem was: headache, sinusitis, bleeding gums, pain in the left hand - side where they were implants, problems with vision, problems with memory, great fatigue, without energy, pain in the area of implants, gastro problems. Doctors in my country said that they can't take out titanium implants safely and that I will have problems with bone after operation. But I investigate a lot again and I got a lot of information from all the world. Some information was useful some not like in every case. But I had lucky again and I got contact about Dr. Shumantov. In my health story I met more than 300 doctors from around the world but I can say that Dr. Shumantov is one of the best doctor and person which I know. He operates in USA and couple of time every year at Europe. I decided that I go to Sofia where he operates in Europe. I was very happy with his professionalism. He told me everything about titanium and what he will do, before operation and I was shocked how easy he removed 3 titanium implants with reverse system. All 3 implants took out in 40 minutes. After that he put new bone material and I come every day to control. After 7 days I go back to my country. Now after 8 month I can tell you: My only mistake was that because of my scary what doctor in Slovenia said, I didn't take titanium implants out before. In the meantime they disappeared almost everyone my problems which I had before that operation. No headache, no sinusitis, no bleeding gums, no pain in the left hand - side where they were implants, no problems with vision, no pain in the area of implants. It is truth that I still have some energy and tired problems but I think that my body after all problems with amalgam and titanium need more time to recover. Maybe some problems will stay but 8 year ago my life was vegetation; today I got 80 % my life back and totally new way of life. My next part of operation is put zirconium implants in. My story was broadcast on Slovenian TV. I wish that all of you can solve problems with health and especially with teeth. And believe me: Dentist can destroy your life. If you wish more information and contact of Dr. Shumantov you can contact me.

Igor from Slovenia

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[notitanium](#) Nov 17, 2016

Here is someone else who was severely poisoned by a titanium implant - myself. I really hope that by sharing our unfortunate experiences more people will become aware of the risks they are taking by implanting metal into their jaw bones. But I am also very happy to be able to talk about this in past tense, because it is already behind my back now and over. I really hope that would be a way to show the people who are still suffering that there is a solution. Yes, things do get better after you remove your metal implant/s! Just be sure to find the right doctor to do it SAFELY.

I got sick immediately after the placement of the implant and I recovered very fast after it was taken out. I guess this is due to the fact that I had my implant only for a month. My symptoms were severe fatigue, brain fog, headache, eczema (inside my mouth and sometimes over my chin), lack of concentration, ear pain and numbness that drove me crazy, difficulties breathing and occasional sense of odd inner trembling. A few times I was about to faint. I was feeling out of space the whole time. I was about to take one last exam and soon to be a therapist, but paradoxically I myself was in such a painful psychical and emotional struggle that I felt I was losing the battle and was surrendering to depression myself. I watched the constant pain and inability to function take over my personality. Now, when I don't have those symptoms anymore, I see what a great difference there is between reading about those symptoms, and actually experiencing them. I remember how desperate I was. I was feeling a constant and extremely overwhelming inability to function on a daily basis – for instance, I was totally unable to drive, or to concentrate, or to talk to people.

I made a little research and found out that many people are actually experiencing the same thing.

Then I started researching deeper and looking for options for implant removal. And I encountered a huge paradox: almost every building of this enormous city (New York) has a dental office where you can have an implant placed. But at the same time there are rarely any dentists at all who could remove a dental implant. I spoke with dentists with different specialties, including oral surgeons. The answers I received ranged from total refusal to remove it because of the severe damages this procedure would cause to my jaw bone and my overall health; to a total denial that the symptoms had anything to do with the implant whatsoever. Those who still

offered an option for removing it, suggested they do it by trephining it out of the bone – a procedure which causes severe bone loss and a high possibility for further damage; but above all, the great risk of breaking the integrity of the implant and leaving behind tiny titanium particles to blend into the bone tissue and thus remain part of the body system forever.

Luckily I didn't agree to undergo this terrifying procedure and I almost accidentally but very fortunately came across Dr. Shumantov, whose practice is currently located in NYC. He is great! As I can see, other people here have had their implants also removed by him. Dr. Shumantov is highly experienced in safely removing titanium dental implants. He removed my implant literally within a few minutes and he managed to keep the bone totally intact; there wasn't even a need of bone grafting. And I was surprised to find how all my symptoms magically disappeared almost right away. A flow of energy spilled over my body and the "out of space feeling" disappeared almost immediately. Now, a week after I had my implant removed I am back to my normal state. Take it out! Good luck!

2 Comments

[Mak77](#) Nov 25, 2016

Can you tell me what method Dr Shumantov used to remove your implants. I have had mine 3 years and suffer every day with, headaches, jaw pain and nausea and stomach problems. I want them out but with the right procedure.

[notitanium](#) Nov 25, 2016

Dr. Shumantov is equipped with a special implant remover kit, a bunch of instruments not all dentists have. The implant is practically unscrewed/untwisted with a ratchet. It's very atraumatic.

Trephining the implant out with a tool called "trephine" is unsafe and should be avoided.

Good luck! I will be happy to help with whatever I can.

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[terrybrown12](#) Sep 21, 2017

I am having trouble posting a new thread.

I have a scientific paper linking titanium implants to autoimmune issues.

Message me and I can forward it.

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[Angela\\_W](#) Sep 29, 2017

My husband has been suffering since his implant was put in about a year ago. He has an MRI scheduled for tomorrow to make sure there isn't another cause for the constant headaches, sinus drainage, and ear pressure. If the MRI finds nothing then his next step is removal of the implant. Can anyone recommend a dentist in Ohio who has successfully removed their implant?

1 Comments

[rowdybuddy](#) Oct 10, 2017

A lot of times people will only remove an implant if they were the one who put it in. I think your best bet is to do a Google search for the IAOMT organization. When you click on their home page you'll see a place near the top of the page that says "For Patients." If you point your mouse at that, a drop down window will show up, and one of the options will be "Search for an IAOMT Dentist/Physician." Click on

that and you'll see a state by state listing of biological dentists in each state. These dentists are the ones who will understand the whole problem, have the knowledge, and most likely be willing to help you.

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[JstfxMEbk2ME](#) Feb 09, 2018

Please I need more information on this! I have nearly lost my sanity as my health issues decline more rapidly everyday, my relationship has been strained beyond limits and I'm tired of being looked at as if I'm just "Crazy". 5 days ago I came across a video on Amazon prime called "The Buisness of Disease" and I thank God for coming across it.

As a youth my teeth were treated with the typical silver fillings, we all had them and never thought twice about it. Well today as I think back in my 20's I had 2 molars that gave me so much grief. I cracked into 2 pieces and the filling falling out, I used temporary filling from drug store until I reached the most desperate moment crawling into an 24hr emergency dental to have to removed completely. a few years later similar situation arised on my right upper side molar which came to the most desperate painful, "just pull it out now!" Moment. My teeth always seemed so sensitive but I found a dentist I liked and was persuaded to get implants. 1 at a time I decided so around 7 or 8 months ago I started the process. I have yet to get the tooth completed. During the time I started having pain issues through out my body ended up having carpal on both hands after the second hand I swore something was wrong very wrong, Dr. Didn't believe me they said I should be getting better. My whole body started aching at the joints head aches insomnia, I developed anxiety and depression overload, I thought due to winter blues but this was odd, the screw came up out of my gum tissue my dentist had me cone and get the post or abudntment portion I was sedated and after everything seemed fine at first and I was on an antibiotic, writhing a week I felt drained, thought I was getting sick, my throat hurt dizzy, blurred vision aching so bad I had hard time standing sitting bendind just anything. I got some skin sores out if nowhere my lip cracked and wouldn't heal, I have never experienced anything like this my whole life. I got skin rashes nose bleeds, Dr. Treated me as tho I had staph yet no blood test showed it and I had several test. I was referred to the dermatologist, I seen 2 the first argued said I had angry dry skin gave me clabatosol carave lotions and ointment wear latex with hand feet soaked in it and don't touch my lip let it heal. Later he wanted to give me an anti psychotic, increase anxiety meds. Other Dr tripped my antidepressant I had 3 hydrocortisone \*\*\*\*\* and other pain relieving shots that were ineffective all within 2 to 3 weeks. I felt I was losing my mind because I defended my complaints I know my body! Even my children were baffled in 6 months I changed and I felt completely lost! Hopeless, frustrated. I decided to try and clean my body out, wean off my meds balance my insides I started watching things von how to, and found a wellness clinic. I night I seen this video I mentioned earlier and BAM! THERE it was it described what I had felt I googled and info flooded to connect me to my answer yet there is still so little. I've called my dentist they wanted to know why I had kept putting them off to finish well I said I want it out.

There is so much more but it exaughsts me to cover it all can anyone relate? Is there any help can I prove this is true? Why is it not discussed, can I get better is this what is happening to me? This Oral Galvism?

Please any info I would so appreciate it. Thanks

1 Comments

[Serbin](#) Apr 26, 2018

Yes, implants do affect different people in various ways. When they work they are wonderful. But many people have not had an easy time after having them inserted. Body inflammation, sore joints, tired, headaches. etc. Soon as they have it removed they start to get their lives back. All these people were hard working people that just wanted to get on with life. This is what I have seen first hand in myself, and also in others that have gotten back to feeling good. I have a record of people that have had them out. Mothers, students, company owners. I am not a dentist and do not suggest anyone do anything. I am just letting you know that people have had problems and people have gotten better when they get them out. It seems a majority of people start to have problems in about two weeks. and the longer they have them in, the worse the people get. You



need a good surgeon to remove them. They should not be ground out. They should be removed whole. with the right surgeon it should be easier coming out, then when it went in. Does not take long. My surgeon is outside of Philadelphia. But others have found a good surgeon in other parts of the country. Find one that has done this before. I hope this information helps anyone out there who is agonizing over what to do.

Again, this is just what I have seen, I am not a dentist and am just passing along information I have been told about other people's experience.

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[acurler7240](#) Apr 26, 2018

My sister had 8 dental implants and had same thing, autoimmune disorder, inflammatory markers, etc. She was ill for 9 months and had them removed. Within a few hours, her skin tone changed from green/gray to pink, feeling came back in her right hand, and her knees stopped feeling wonky. She was on steroids for joint pain which went away also. None of the doctors or dentists believed us either. I believe it because I've seen it. My advice is to remove it.

1 Comments

[Rodge2756](#) May 26, 2018

Hi acurler - do you mind me asking what happened with your sister's hand? I had metal embolisation coils placed in my abdomen and one of the many symptoms I've had is a loss of sensation / weakness in my left arm and hand. It's truly bizarre.

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[Hissim27](#) Aug 12, 2018

Hi all. I noticed that this thread started 8 years ago! And thank god for it. I have an implant put in early May 2018, in June started to have upper back, shoulder and neck pain. Early July started to experience horrible muscle pain, random tingling in limbs, numbing, headaches, heel pain... but the worst is the lower abdomen pain. I've had ultrasounds, er visits and so on. ANA came back positive. I'm 33 and never in my life have I had any sign of an autoimmune disease. I'm 33 and an athlete and walking is difficult now. For all the folks that had theirs removed, what was the success of improvement? Can anyone out there help me!

5 Comments

[natslondon](#) Aug 12, 2018

I hadn't thought of this thread for a while now as I had all of these issues in 2014 and had it removed then and today got an email saying a comment had been added. It was a dark and scary time of my life so my heart goes out to you. The relief for me was almost instant and it took a good year to get my strength back 100%. Good luck. Anyone reading this- this thread honestly saved my life and I am so thankful for it.

[Hissim27](#) Aug 12, 2018

Thank you for the response! It's been a hard month and half. Can anyone relate to menstrual pain being a thousand times worse during this issue? And of course people around me think I'm crazy to assume this because I'm not having any issues with the implant itself, my question is... how could the titanium implant be affecting me if I don't show signs around the implant itself? I'm trying to truly confirm this because I know the dentist

will fight me on this, i truly don't know what else would be affecting me like this randomly. This is so scary! I'm so happy your health improved, that's hopeful and fantastic!

[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 12, 2018

Hissim 27 titanium isn't made up of only titanium, it has other metals in it, usually nickel. Prior to my neck surgery (cervical fusion), I always had problems with different types of metals and I told that to the surgeon. He assured me that no one is allergic to titanium and that this implant would be 100% titanium. It wasn't the titanium I was allergic to, it was the nickel in it. After trying to get information for two years I came across this website. There is a lab that tests for metal allergies, and I had the testing done and I did test positive for several metals, the worse being nickel. It took me a while to find a doc to remove the metal, but I did. When they took it out, the surgeon told my husband that my spinal cord under the metal was black. Long story short, I had the surgery to remove the "titanium," and that really helped me. I have other medical problems, but it was one piece of this puzzle. Here is a link to the lab's website <http://www.melisa.org>. I got a lot of help from them, and I hope you will too.

[Serbin](#) Aug 12, 2018

Hello. This is Serbin. Yes people have had them removed even when the implant was successful. Their body reacted to the implant itself. The longer it was in the worse their symptoms got. Read back in these texts and see the write ups from me. If you get it out get a good dentist. Do not grind it out. The correct dentist will be a big help to you.

[rowdybuddy](#) Aug 16, 2018

When I had my implant removed my improvement was immediate and dramatic. It's been three years, and I'm about 75% back to where I was before I had the implant. But I did have a very severe reaction that really knocked me down in a lot of ways. I did not show any signs of problems at the implant site, and that is very common. The reaction people have is called a "systemic" reaction, because it affects your system but not the actual site of the implant. This is supposedly the first scientific paper published concerning titanium intolerance:

<https://www.imd-berlin.de/en/special-areas-of-competence/dentistry/allergies-and-intolerances/titanium-intolerance.html>

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[Serbin](#) Aug 13, 2018

Yes, I have had this problem and so have a group of people. Inflammation starts after two weeks of a perfectly good

implant. Gets worse over time. Saps the energy right out of a person. I can't say it helps or not, but all the people that

have been in contact with me have told me they are so happy, now that they can return to their normal lives. If you get the right surgeon, it was an easy procedure for people. Do not have it ground out. May sure they take it out in one piece, in its entirety. Implants are a wonderful thing. but if you are one of those people who recct poorly to it. It can make your life a living hell. Please let us all know what you decide and how you make out. Serbin

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[lanyC](#) Aug 15, 2018



I am gonna tell you my story. I found this forum after my problems started. First of all I had a bone graft with Bio-Oss in 2016, and in 2017 i had two dental implants inserted.

After 4 months I started having tingling in hands and legs, buzzing all over body and floaters in the eye above the implants. After several ophthalmologists I decided to take the implants out. In april 2018 I found a doctor to remove them. I'm still waiting for my symptoms to dissapear. I have random pain, buzzing, numbness, random heat sensation in legs, hands.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Aug 15, 2018

I am sorry to hear that your symptoms didn't resolve. Could it be that the doctor wasn't able to remove all of the implants? Or you could be like myself, I have other medical issues that are not connected to the metal. Another thought it may take a while for your body to reset. Do you were any jewelry? Usually people are allergic to the metal alloys in the titanium. With myself it was nickel. Do you were any jewelry? What about metal fillings?

[IanyC](#) Aug 15, 2018

I saw the implants after the surgery and they were in one piece. I went to several doctors and made blood tests, all good. I don't wear any jewelry. I'm visiting one of the best eye doctors in Europe in several weeks because my floaters are increasing day by day. I am pretty sure all my problems started after I placed the implants. Now I wish that i found this earlier..I hope you are better.

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[powerman11](#) Nov 24, 2018

HI all,

Did remove my implants several years ago. Did have a bonegraft and lost alot of bone. So i need a new bonegraft before i can take zirconium implants. I still am not healed. So probably my sickness wasn't from the implants. Sometimes i think the bonegraft is pushing against a nerve and is giving me that pounding head. Anyway i did my consultation with the dentist <http://www.ocendo.com/> Chetan K Metha. Terry on this blog has got alot of contact with him. They are more like neighbours and very helpfull. It isn't painfull at all. I paid a price of 13000 \$ to remove the two implants and have a bonegraft and gum. There is also a dentist in New York who does the same for a lower price of 3000 \$. It isn't painfull at all ! God Bless.

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[MasMuelas](#) Mar 12, 2019

I have had a titanium dental implant 2 weeks ago, have been on antibiotics for 1 week. It was an extraction of previous screw-retained crown, and implant placed in the same procedure. There was also bovine bone graft placed. Then I was told to wait 4 months for the porcelain crown to be placed. The same day I started noticing some tingle on the lips, however it was on the opposite side of the face, the dentist told me there was no nerve touched, so apparently it was not paresthesia. Something else I noticed is a metal taste coming directly from the implant, starting the same day I got the implant, and never went away. It's like having literally a 9 volt battery in the mouth. Some days after the implant, I also started noticing some tremors on the fingers, mostly in the thumb finger, and some muscle contractions in arms and other parts of the body. Although the lips tingle is still there, it is not as strong as before, however I am worried about the fingers. Visiting and telling the dentist about this, on the second week the dentist recommended me to be on antibiotics for another week to prevent infection. I am now probably going to see the dentist again, and I am personally considering pulling the implant out. I feel like

something is not right. Looking on the internet, but being no specialist myself, I suspect either "oral galvanism" or some kind of autoimmune response to the metals of the implant. I have read that no implant in the world is 100% titanium, and that they always contain other metals. Depending on the metal, the system can reject it or show some allergy. Today I also woke up and started nothing darker eye bags. I already have a titanium dental implant for many years without any issues, but after investigating, I realized its from another brand. Apparently the other implant is better quality or more pure than this one. So, apparently I am not directly allergic to titanium, but to some of the other metals added to some implants. I will try to get it out as soon as possible, and then do some general checks with the Clinical Dr, also consider doing the metal allergy test.

1 Comments

[IanyC](#) Mar 25, 2019

I also had bovine graft and two dental titanium implants. I experienced many muscle contractions after three months implants were placed. After the dentist told me I am "crazy" and that the implants can't give any general body reactions, only local I went to another one and took them out. After one year without implants i still have one in a week small contractions but they were horrible when I had them in my mouth. It is just my case. I'm not doing anymore implants. I know how you feel. Stay strong.

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Mar 12, 2019

Dear MasMuelas,

I had a titanium implant in my neck several years ago. Very shortly afterwards I started getting ill. I was extremely fatigued and had a rash around the area of the implant. I did my own research and found a lab that ran metal testing. I had the testing and found out that I was allergic to the other metals that are mixed with the titanium. Long story short after two years of suffering I had the implant removed and my symptoms went away. I am not saying this is the same for you, but it is worth investigating.

3 Comments

[Implantz](#) Mar 29, 2019

My allergy test said Nickel along with other metals including aluminum. Ask the doctor up front for a composite sheet of Titanium anything in your body. Unfortunately for me I didn't request the composite sheet until after I had a miserable experience with Titanium dental implants. I ended up having them successfully unscrewed/removed. The composition sheet I obtained from the dentist indicated they were actually called "Tivanium". Major component..aluminum!!! Hope I never need a hip or knee replacement.

[Implantz](#) Mar 29, 2019

Some people don't even know they have a metal allergy. Especially those who know, such as Nickel, needs to have a more involved test to know what exactly they are allergic to and a doctor needs to know what he/she is selling the public. Mine didn't even know AU was gold. He said he never took a chemistry class.

[B4SuzieQ](#) Mar 29, 2019

Implanz - There is a new material that contains no metal at all. I do not know the name of the product, but some dentists are using that now. It has been on the market about 5 to 6 years now. You may want to research that if a dentist in your area does that.

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[ksandr99](#) Jan 09

Hi everyone ! Sorry for my english, i`m writing from russia. I have a bit unusual problems after one year i have 2 titanium implants. Two problems look like yours - burning tongue and tiredness from dawn till dusk. But the third problem seems 2 me very unusual 4 this site - i have a big problem with my stomach. With every part of it. Some days i can` t go far from toilet - and that is a large trouble. Please, unswer me if someone has the same problems. Thanks a lot. Aleksandr.

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[ksandr99](#) Jan 09

And one more question.. how do you scroll through all the posts in a thread ? It takes hour 2 get 2 the last message.

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[Hissim27](#) Jan 09

I have had the same issues except mouth issues or sensation in head. It's been an awful two years

1 Comments

[ksandr99](#) Jan 10

Thanks for an answer. how much time had come (after you took it out), before you felt better

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[Hissim27](#) Jan 09

For anyone who had had their implants removed, can you provide an update?

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[B4SuzieQ](#) Jan 09

I did not have a dental implant, I had a cervical implant. Immediately after the implant I became sick and stayed that way until I had the implant removed. To make sure that it was the implant, I had metal testing done and because I was positive that allowed me to have the implant removed.

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